

Rang a Trí - Term 2

Tom Crean

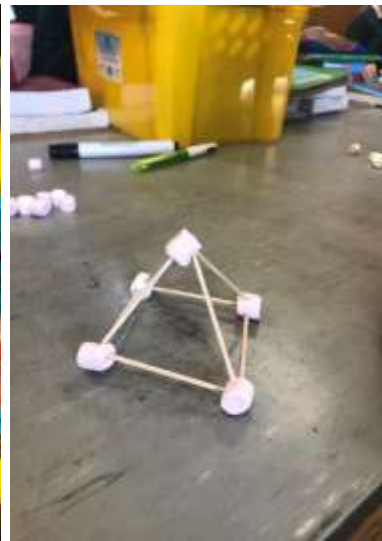
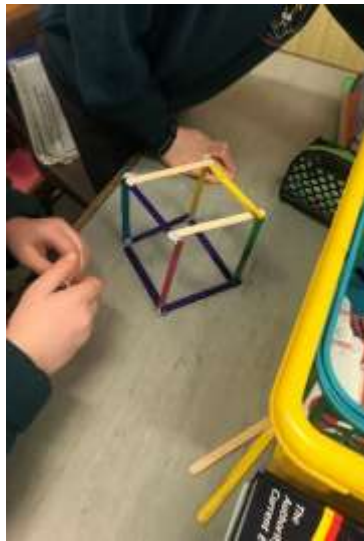
When we returned after Christmas, we learned all about Tom Crean, the arctic explorer, from Annascaul in County Kerry. We learned about his three extraordinary journeys to the Antarctic, the ships he sailed on and some of the challenges he had to overcome to survive. We also discussed and learned about some of the beautiful animals that can be found in the Arctic. Below are our two displays that the children created.



SPHE: On Valentine's Day, we discussed feelings and how it is important to choose our words carefully and also to be mindful of how we speak to others. The children all wrote down one kind thing and one mean thing that may have been said to them. After they had written them down, they were then instructed to crinkle their 'hearts'. The aim of this activity was to teach and show the children to think about how they speak to people and the words they choose to use when talking to people as at times, unbeknownst to them, their words (good or bad) remain within people's hearts long after they have been said.



Maths: Some of the topics we covered in Maths over the past few weeks have been 3D objects and measurement. These chapters allowed for us to complete practical tasks in the classroom which the children really enjoyed. For the 3D shapes chapter, the children constructed 3D shapes using cocktail and lollipop sticks and marshmallows (although some marshmallows mysteriously disappeared during this activity☺)



We spent one morning measuring a variety of items in our classroom and each other. This was a great exercise for the children to really grasp the meaning and understanding of metres and centimetres.



Seachtain Na Gaeilge: Rang a Trí thoroughly enjoyed Seachtain Na Gaeilge this year. There was a variety of fantastic events organised by the other classes that we got to experience such as the Díolacáin Cístí and a Seó Faisean. Rang a Trí created and performed a short drama piece for Junior Infants called 'Cinnín Óir agus na Trí Bhear'. We had some fantastic actors, actresses, narrators and props team for this little production and Junior Infants really enjoyed it.....even wondering if our Goldilocks was the real one, she was that convincing!



We were also treated to a fantastic Irish dancing performance by some of our Irish dancers in Rang a Trí.



Mother's Day Art

Our most recent art project was creating a 'basket of flowers' for Mother's Day. These flower baskets really lit up our classroom with the variety of fantastic colours within in each basket. They were creating by simply using a recycled can, coloured paper, scissors and pritt-stick. The children really enjoyed this and were all looking forward to giving them to their Mum's on Mother's Day.



