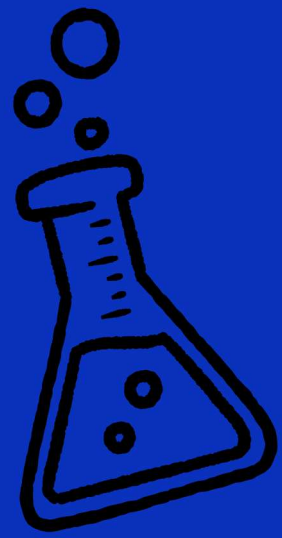
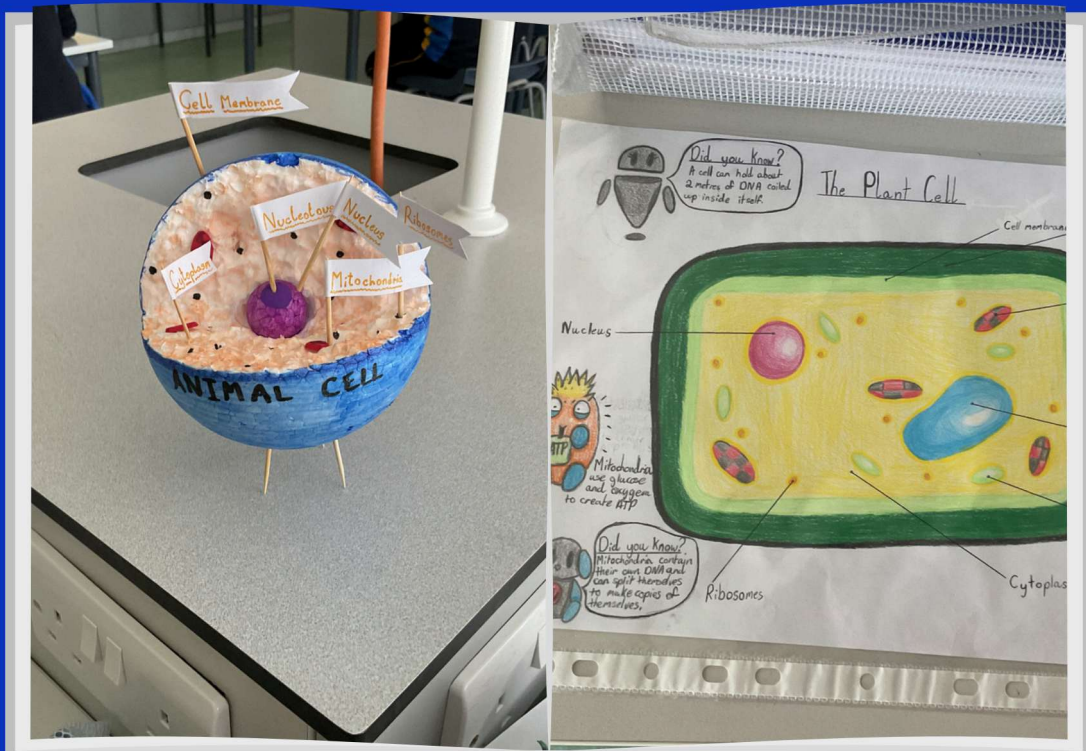


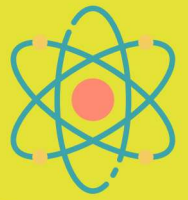
# SCIENCE



**1E HARD AT WORK  
CREATING MODELS OF  
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IMPROVE LEARNING**



# Atoms

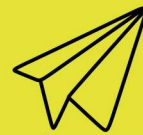


2nd Year Science students made models of the atom using Play-Doh. They had a great time using the Play-Doh and it was a great way of reinforcing learning in class.



# 3<sup>rd</sup> year Science

3M Science students created their own models of paper airplanes in science class when investigating energy conversions (the energy change is potential energy to kinetic energy). They launched the paper airplanes and competed to see which one went the furthest!



# Ecology



Ecology fieldtrip in the green football pitch and around the school with 3rd year students. Using a key to identify living organisms around the school



# 5<sup>th</sup> year Chemistry

5th Year Chemistry students carried out their first practical of the year - identifying elements using the flame tests. They placed salts containing different metal elements in the Bunsen burner flame, and identified the elements based on the colour produced.



## Career Guidance - Biomarin

Biomarin visited the school to tell the 6th year students about their apprenticeship programmes starting next year. The applications are now open and advertised in [www.apprenticeship.ie](http://www.apprenticeship.ie).

Katie Lyons the HR manager brought along 2 of their apprentices to discuss their experiences since joining the company.



# ENGLISH

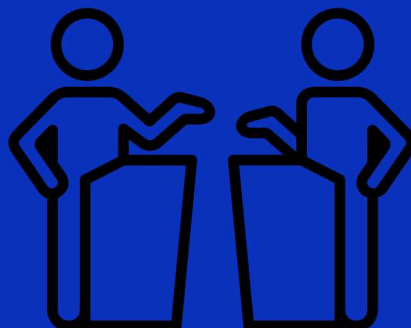
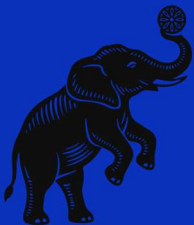


TY 4 took to the podium to argue the motion 'Plastic is the new fantastic'

The debates became rather heated as the class argued the pros and cons of plastic surgery



Well done to 2S who debated the motion 'All Animal Shows Should be Shut Down Immediately.' There was some very impressive speech writing skills used to argue the pros and cons of the motion. Well done to all involved.



# Short Story Writing



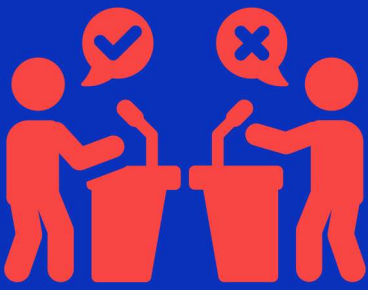
Congratulations to Callum O'Donovan and Meda Malisaukaite from TY1, winners of their English class Scary Story Competition.



# First Year Public Speaking

1st year public speaking competition which took place in Le Cheile Ballincollig on the 23rd of October. 1st year students Aoife Fitzgerald and Oliver Mজেcki both spoke - Aoife spoke about the dangers of AI and Oliver spoke about the lack of need for school uniforms. Saathvik acted as a judge at this competition. All students had a great day!





**CONCERN**  
worldwide

# TY Concern Debate

A group of four TY students have been participating in Concern Debates this term.

The students involved are (from left to right): Isabelle O'Doherty, Eve Skally, Milan Sumesh and Mark Daly





# GEOGRAPHY



TY Geography have been busy learning about environmental change, fast fashion and endangered animals. This term they have turned their hand to upcycling. Below is a sample of what was created.



# Home Economics



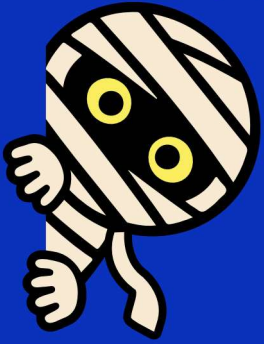
In this week's Home Economics class, our TY students took a culinary journey straight to Italy as they learned the art of making homemade pasta! From kneading dough to perfecting the texture, our students embraced the hands-on experience of crafting traditional Italian pasta.

Along the way, they also explored the rich history and culture behind Italian cuisine, gaining a deeper appreciation for food as an integral part of culture. Buon appetito!



# Halloween Baking

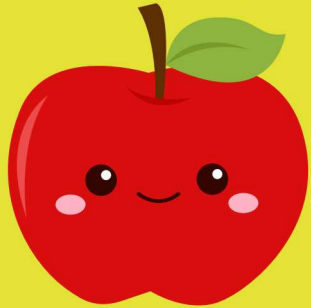
## Contest



ERC's Home economics students completed our Annual Halloween Baking Contest which was a spooktacular success! This year, bakers competed in two thrilling categories: Most Creative and Most Spooky. Congratulations to our winners for their fang-tastic creations.



# Caramel Apples



## Homemade Caramel Apples Recipe

- 12 small apples
- Water (115 g)
- Sugar (255 g)
- 1/2 teaspoon (2 g) Salt
- Heavy cream (255 g)

1. Skewer apples with popsicle sticks
2. In a saucepan, combine water, sugar, and salt over medium heat.
3. Stir with a fork until sugar is fully dissolved and syrup comes to a rolling boil, about 4 minutes.
4. Simmer, without stirring, until syrup is honey-gold, roughly 9 minutes.
5. Immediately add cream (the mixture will sputter) and reduce heat to medium-low, stirring constantly with a heat-resistant spatula, until caramel registers (121°C) on a digital thermometer, about 7 minutes. Transfer to a small heat-resistant bowl and cool to about (100°C).



6. Dip apples in caramel, letting excess drip off before transferring to a parchment-lined cutting board.
7. Let stand at room temperature until fully set, about 10 minutes, and serve.



# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Trick or Treat



TRA 400  
27A  
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Happy Halloween

## Sustainable Halloween

DIY costumes:  
Create costumes using items you already own or second-hand clothes, which is a creative and eco-friendly option.



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A film strip graphic with sprocket holes and the text 'TRA 400', '27A', and '27' repeated. The central white area contains the text and a photograph of two people in white, hooded costumes with red pom-poms, standing in a field.

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## Spooky facts

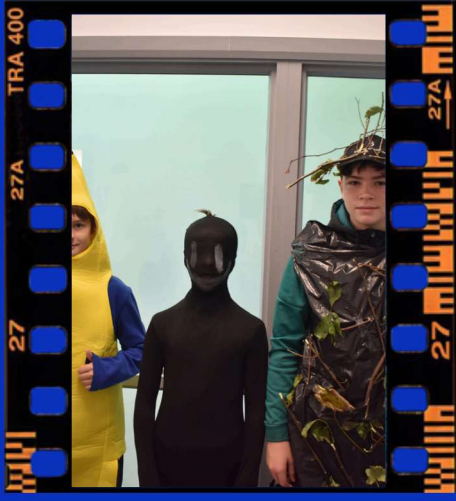
About 40% of Halloween costumes are only worn once

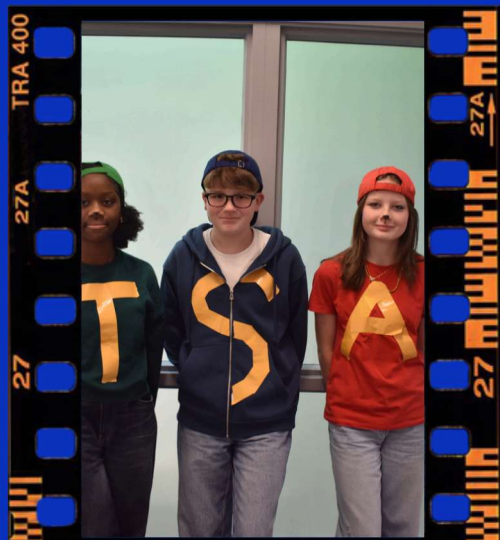
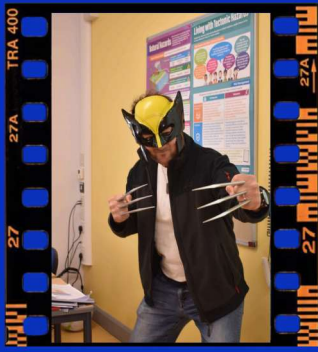


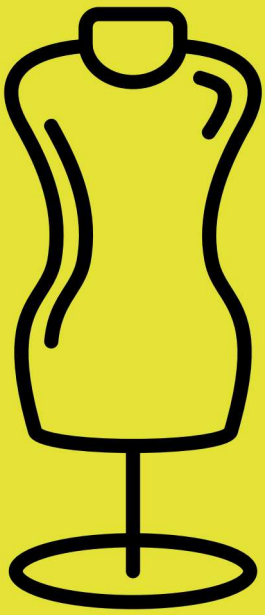
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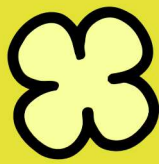
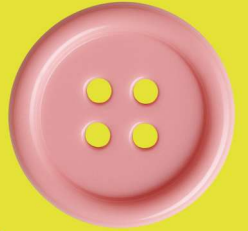
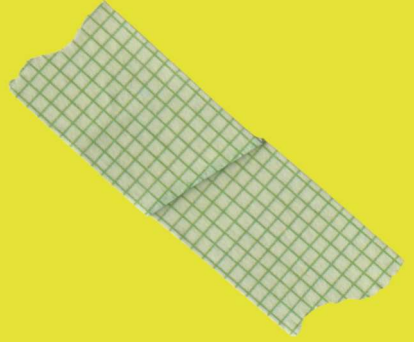
A film strip graphic with sprocket holes and the text 'TRA 400', '27A', and '27' repeated. The central white area contains the text and a photograph of a closet filled with various Halloween costumes hanging on a rack.







# JUNK KOUTURE



**TY Home Economics students made wonderful chocolate biscuit puddings for Christmas**



**Second Year Home Ec students worked hard this term, creating Christmas stockings in class**

# MUSIC



**The Music Marathon that happened during the summer.**



# Learning Support

The past few weeks have been a busy and exciting time in our learning support classes, with students taking part in a wide range of activities designed to support both learning and creativity. From literacy exercises to fine motor skill development, the term has been full of engaging opportunities for students to grow and explore.

As the holiday season approached, the classes embraced the festive spirit with a variety of seasonal projects, including Christmas-themed poetry, bracelet making, card making, and present crafting. Classrooms and homerooms were decorated to create a joyful atmosphere, and students enjoyed social gatherings, celebrating birthdays, Students of the Month, and end-of-term achievements.

Fun quizzes and games, including Kahoots, kept everyone engaged, and cooking and baking activities added even more excitement, allowing students to develop practical skills while enjoying some festive treats.



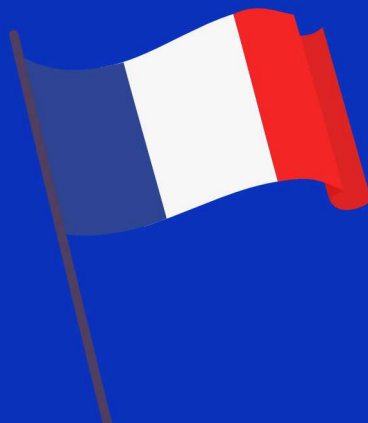
# Life Skills

Some of our students decorated their Homeroom for Halloween and learned about growing herbs with Ms Terzic



# MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

FRIDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER 2025 WAS THE EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES. THIS DAY IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE, SCHOOLS AND ORGANISATIONS ACROSS EUROPE TO RECOGNISE THE IMPORTANCE OF MULTILINGUALISM AND TO DISCOVER THE FUN OF LEARNING NEW LANGUAGES. ERC CELEBRATED THIS YEAR WITH A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST FOR ALL TY STUDENTS IN THE ATRIUM. DIFFERENT FRENCH, SPANISH & GERMAN FOODS WERE AVAILABLE FOR TY STUDENTS TO SAMPLE AND ENJOY. 1ST YEAR LANGUAGE STUDENTS TOOK PART IN A QUIZ AND TESTED THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF DIFFERENT EUROPEAN LANGUAGES AND A GREAT DAY WAS HAD BY ALL.



# Día de Los MUERTOS

TY Spanish students took part in an interactive Spanish workshop where they learnt about El Día de los Muertos. Students created "ojos de Díos" which will be on display in St. Peter's Basilica in Cork city over midterm.



**THINK  
LANGUAGES  
WEEK**

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Think Global Act Local

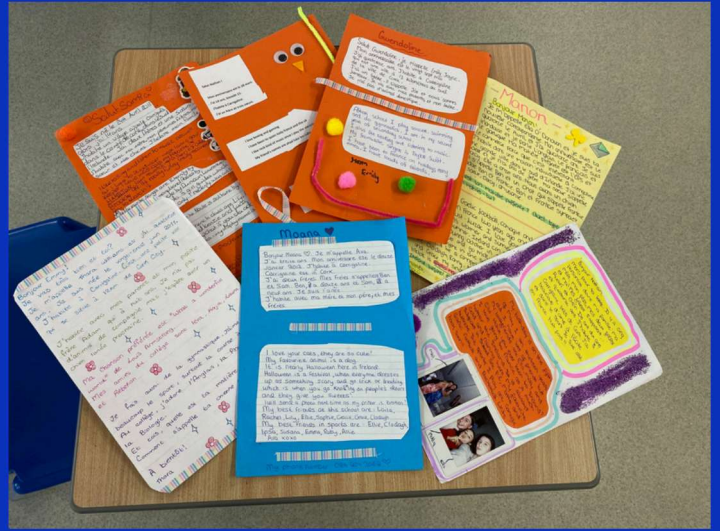
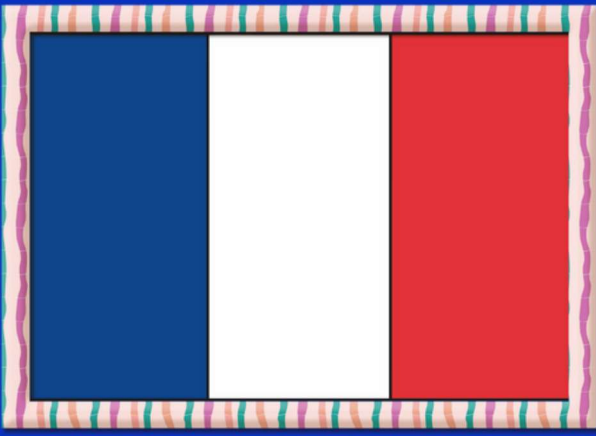
# Think Languages Day

Wednesday, 19 November



**THINK LANGUAGES DAY- THE TYS ALL WENT DOWN TO THE ATRIUM TO GET ANOTHER MFL BREAKFAST TO TRY COMMON BREAKFAST FOODS FROM SPAIN, FRANCE, AND GERMANY. THEY COULD PICK WHATEVER FOODS THRY WANTED OUT OF THE OPTIONS GIVEN AND THEY COULD EAT FOODS FROM ALL THREE COUNTRIES. SOME OF THE FOODS AND DRINKS INCLUDED WERE; APPLE JUICE, ORANGE JUICE, SMALL ROLLS WITH HAM AND CHEESE, SUGAR COOKIES, AND A SELECTION OF PASTRIES. AFTER GETTING FOOD THEY WERE ALLOWED TO SIT WITH FRIENDS TO EAT AND THEY COULD GO BACK UP AT ANY TIME TO GET MORE FOOD OR REFILL DRINKS. BREAKFAST LASTED THE WHOLE HOUR OF 3RD CLASS. DURING 4TH CLASS STUDENTS STAYED IN THE ATRIUM AND WERE PUT INTO GROUPS OF 4 TO DO A 70 QUESTION QUIZ ABOUT COUNTRIES FLAGS, FOOD, LANGUAGES THAT HAD BEEN PREPARED FOR THE LANGUAGES TEAM. DURING 5TH PERIOD WE THEN GOT TO HEAD UP TO A CLASSROOM TO WATCH A MOVIE IN THEIR STUDIED LANGUAGE TO END OFF THE DAY.**

**THIS DAY WAS ORGANISED BY THE TRANSITION YEAR LANGUAGES TEAM. WELL DONE TO ALL FOR THEIR HARD WORK, THE DAY WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!**



# French penpal letters

Second Year French students have been very busy writing letters to their new pen pals in France



# German Christmas class

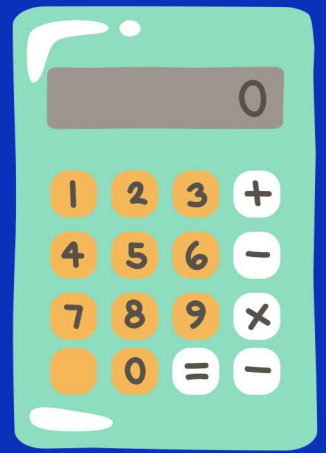
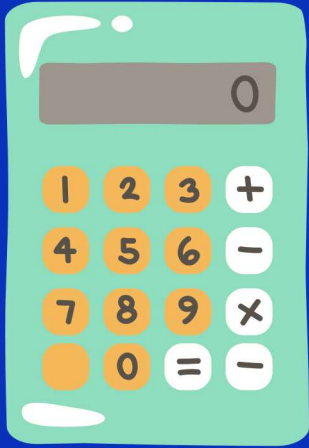


The Second Year German class enjoyed learning about Christmas in Germany while trying gingerbread and making Christmas cards



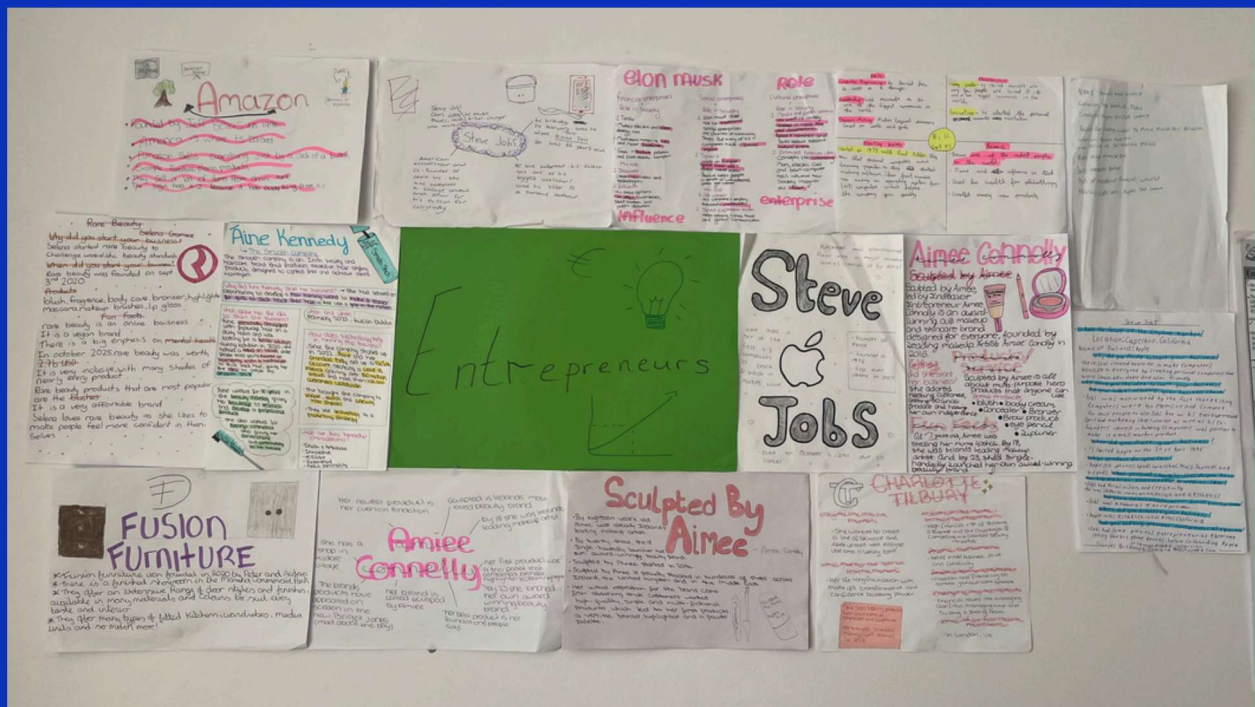
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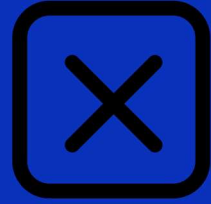




# BUSINESS

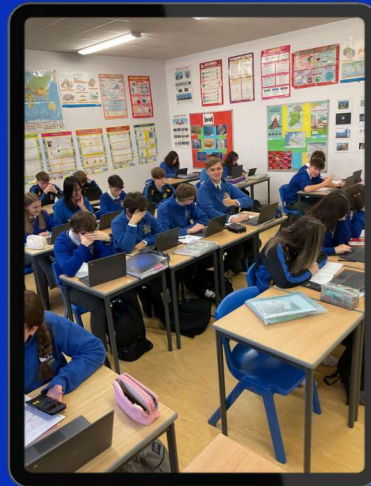
2ND YEAR BUSINESS STUDIES CLASS RESEARCHED AN ENTREPRENEUR OF THEIR CHOICE. THEY EXPLORED HOW THEIR CHOSEN ENTREPRENEUR ACHIEVED THEIR SUCCESS, WHY THEY SET UP THEIR BUSINESS, AND THE SKILLS AND CHARACTERISTICS NEEDED TO BECOME AN ENTREPRENEUR. THE STUDENTS CREATED LOVELY POSTERS BASED ON THEIR FINDINGS, WHICH ARE NOW DISPLAYED IN THEIR CLASSROOM.





# Maths Week

Ms Walsh's 5th year Maths class competing in the Irish Maths Teachers Association Maggie Gough Competition. This is a great Maths Week activity that promotes maths in a fun atmosphere and encourages problem solving skills among our students.



24 TY Maths Students visited the local Educate Together Primary School during maths week. They carried out maths activities with students in Junior Infants, Senior Infants, 1st class and 2nd class. A great time was had by all students!

**WELL DONE TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO WERE THE WINNERS OF THE DAILY PUZZLE FOR MATHS WEEK. THEY ARE:**

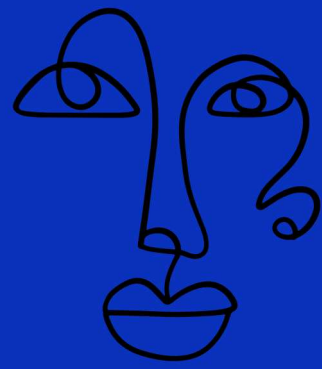
**DAIRE MADDEN (1S)**

**ODHRAN O'MEARAIN (2M)**

**LUCY CUMMINS (3C)**

**DAVID O'SULLIVAN (6A)**





# ART



TY Art explored the Cubism movement by examining the work of Pablo Picasso. Picasso's cubist portraits inspired their designs for a cubist portrait. The students designed their work through drawing and cardboard, perfecting their designs. The final pieces were created in clay and they used bright vibrant glazes on their finished pieces.