

THE LISDOON LEADER

BY THE PUPILS, FOR THE PUPILS



The Ciúnas For Eunice

Storm Eunice hit Lisdoonvarna last Friday. Met Éireann declared a red weather warning so the school remained closed.

It was so quiet that you could hear a mouse. In the end, the school survived unscathed. The children got the day off school.

Safe to say, there were few complaints from them!

Thankfully, the children were able to continue their schoolwork at home through Seesaw - much to their teacher's relief.

NEWS

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Finally Football!

Return to Pitch for Lisdoonvarna NS!
EILIDH LAWLESS

Mr Carty's class and Miss Canavan's class went to the pitch to play a football blitz on Tuesday, 1st of February.

Despite the wet weather, the children had lots of fun getting out of school for a couple of hours. The schools that attended were Lisdoonvarna, Fanore and Kilshanny National Schools.

It was the first time we got to play in 2 years. We came back soaked to the skin but the delight had not been kept in.

Róisín Turey & Mei Huan

RIDDLES

Bethan Marsh & Katelynne Geraghty

LOCAL CELEBS

Nicole Bujnowska & Chloe McNamara

CROSSWORD

Joseph Keating & Éanna Rouine

GAEILGE

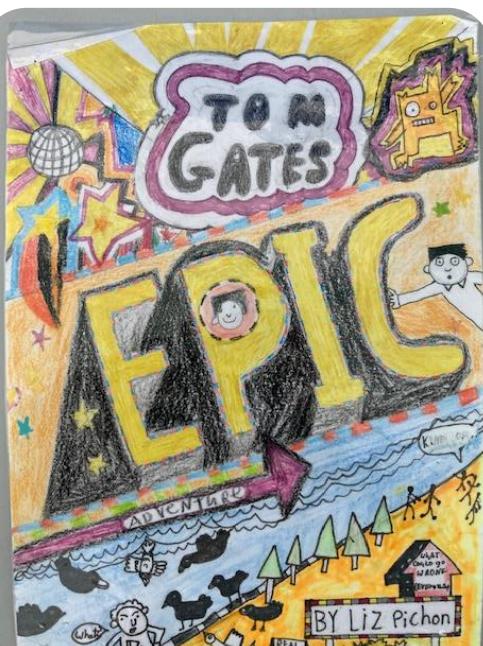
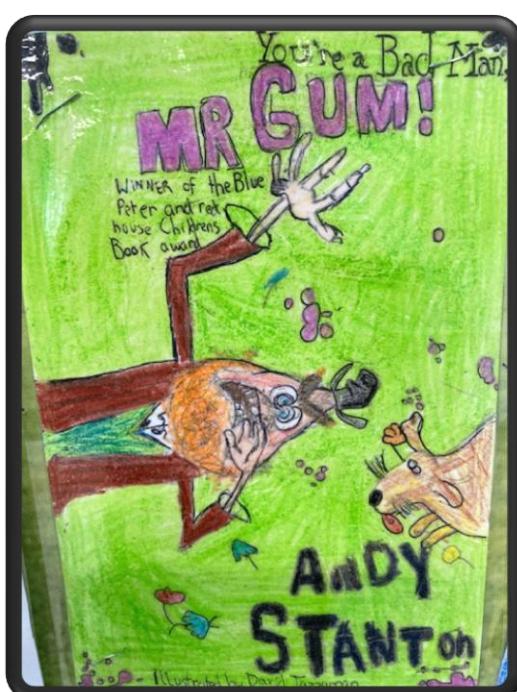
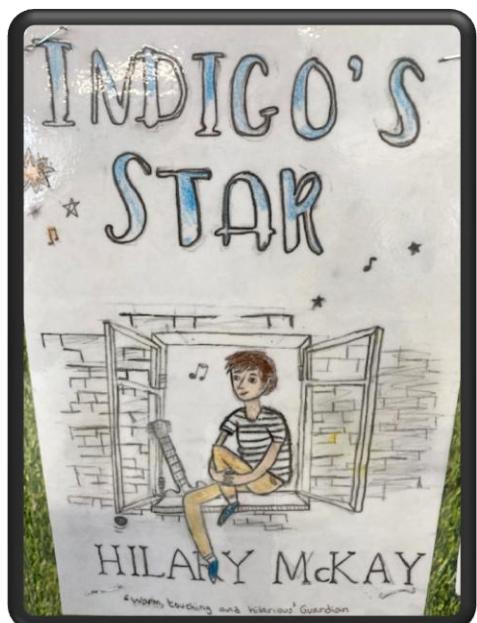
CURRENT EVENTS

Book Cover Competition

ÉANNA ROUINE

The book cover competition started on the 2/2/22. It is a challenge to see who can draw the cover of a book that they are reading or they have read. It ends on the 10/2/22 with winners to be announced.

It is between Miss Carkill, Mr Carty and Miss Canavan's classes. The children are exhilarated-everyone is working so hard to win but there are only two winners from each class-overall and one for the best effort. Everyone can't wait to find out who wins! Mr Carty was quoted as saying 'that as long as it creates awareness in reading, we are all winners!'

Dog on the Run

EILIDH LAWLESS

One bright winter day, while all the children were outside at break there was an uninvited guest who surprised us all in the yard. It was a golden retriever! He ran around the yard with joy and happiness. A child was heard saying, "I almost died of laughter". I think he lightened up everyone's day. The dog belonged to the local butcher and his wife. The mischievous dog also pounced and took a child's shoe. The dog ran around the yard with his new toy until Tristan bravely intervened and retrieved the shoe from the retriever!

The aim for this program is for all the school, from Junior Infants all the way up to 6th class, to learn about new countries.



6TH CLASS BEST MEMORIES

EILIDH LAWLESS,
LAURA DUNNE,
OISÍN GARRIHY
HUISMANS,
CAOIMHE
MCCARTHY, HAYDEN
ROOZA BETHAN
MARSH & TRISTAN
O'LOUGHLIN

I hand selected 6 6th classers to ask what were their best memories from the years. I got some interesting answers.

Laura: In 2nd class, I found a lizard outside in the yard. Just after break I found it again and picked it up to show our teacher. I had to put it back outside .I thought it died so I made it a funeral. Needless to say, Ms Colfer was not impressed.

Oisín: My awesome school tour in 3rd class! We went to Bunratty Castle and afterwards we went to The Planet in Ennis to play bowling and to eat some food.

Caoimhe: My favourite memory was the teddy bear walks. It always brought joy to my face.

Hayden: Mine was basketball for P.E.! Basketball is my favourite sport ever!

Bethan: I remember in junior infants we would come in on a Monday and sit in a circle to tell what we did at the weekend but you were not allowed to talk unless you had the microphone-it was great fun.

Tristan: My favourite was the 5th class school tour because, well, we got ice-cream and we went surfing in Lahinch! It was with my favourite teacher ever Mr.Carty.



ETHAN ZHOU, HAYDEN ROOZA &
OISÍN GARRIHY HUISMANS

How To Make Traditional
Pancakes

What You Need:

1 cup self-raising flour (sifted)
1-2 tbs caster sugar
1 egg (lightly beaten)
3/4 cup milk
50g butter (melted, for frying)
Toppings of Choice

Method:

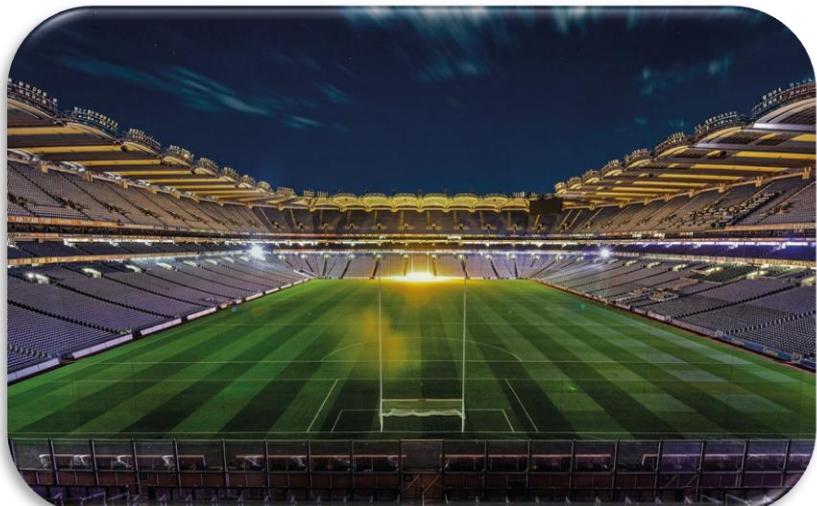
1. Beat the egg in a bowl.
2. Whisk in the milk and sugar.
3. Sift in the flour and whisk it until it is smooth and without lumps.
4. Preheat your pan.
5. Over medium to low heat, brush butter over your pan and pour $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of batter for each pancake.
6. When large bubbles appear on the surface of the batter, flip over the pancake and cook the other side until lightly golden. Keep an eye on them because they do cook quickly.
7. Add toppings of your choice and enjoy.

SPORTS NEWS

City's to lose, Newcastle's to buy, United to annoy! The Season so Far

IARLA BYRNE & TRISTAN O'LOUGHLIN

As Chelsea kicked off the season with a wonderful start, City took over and are now heading towards their second league title in consecutive years. Meanwhile Burnley are looking closer and closer to being relegated to the lower tier. Newcastle are fighting for their survival but look as if they may spend their way out of trouble. It is going to be a nail biting ending to the season.



The Transfer News

Adama Traore joined Barcelona, while Philippe Coutinho went on loan to Aston Villa. The young Dutch Star, Donny Van De Beek, got released from United and has joined Everton. Tottenham Hotspur's Dele Alli joined the Toffees as well. The Colombian, Luiz Diaz, emerged as one of the top young wingers during his three year period at Porto but has now joined Jurgen Klopp's revolution while, as the man on the moon knows, Cristiano Ronaldo made his return in the red and white Manchester United shirt.

Latest on the GAA

The Orchard County Armagh rattled Dublin to the ground in a surprising start to the League. Kerry v Kildare, Monaghan v Tyrone and Mayo v Donegal all ended in draws which left all involved dissatisfied. Meanwhile, Division Two got off to a flying start. Clare hockeyed Offaly off the pitch while Roscommon beat Cork and Meath lost to Galway. The Ulster battle ended with Derry defeating Down.

With the second round of the League getting started, we had Kerry beat Dessie Farrell's blue and navy Dublin. Armagh and All Ireland winners Tyrone ended in a big fight including four reds cards which went to the red and white boys of Tyrone while only one to Armagh. What got forgotten was Armagh prevailed on the scoreboard. The Monaghan Mayo clash ended in a 1-11 to Mayo's 2-10 Victory, and finishing the Division One weekend Donegal beat Kildare by a goal and two points.

COOKING TIME

Easy Blueberry Muffins

CAOIMHE MCCARTHY &
HANNAH VAUGHAN

Ingredients:

100g butter
100g caster sugar
2 large eggs
300g self-raising flour
1tsp vanilla extract
140ml milk
1tsp baking powder
150g blueberries

What you will need:

Muffin tray and cases

Hand mixer and bowl.

Method

Line a muffin tray with the cases.

- Mix butter with blender until soft.
- Add sugar into butter mixture until fluffy.
- Crack eggs and gradually add to the mixture.
- Add flour and baking powder to make the batter thick
- Stir vanilla extract and milk into the batter.

- Add the blueberries and spoon the mixture into muffin cases.
- Bake for 15-20mins at 180C.
- Leave to cool in the tray for 10 mins before taking out.
- Serve with a dusting of icing sugar

Tips!

- For the best blueberry muffins, don't over mix the ingredients. A lumpy batter is perfect.
- If you want to stop blueberries from sinking in your muffin then coat them with a generous dusting of flour.
- Frozen blueberries are less likely to burst when in the oven but fresh ones are fine too. If you are using frozen berries, be sure to defrost them over a pot of boiling water before adding to the mixture

ENJOY!

REVIEW TIME!

The Kettle Street Cafe

TYLER LEIGH

In the Kettle Street Cafe you are spoilt for food and drink choice. You can get sensational pizzas, burgers, chips and milkshakes.....good enough to make your mouth water. On my last visit, I ordered chips, a burger and a mint flavoured milkshake that tickled my tongue. I would rate it 4 out of 5 stars. The reason I took one star off is because....I simply wanted more.



STORYTIME

SHNÁITHE

LE ÉANNA ROUINE AGUS JOSEPH KEATING

An Satharn a bhí ann. Bhí Eoin ag siúil sa choillte. Chuir sé buataisí, dhá geansaí, uisce, fón póca agus lámhainní sa mhála. Chuir sé éadaí air agus chuaigh sé síos an staighre ar nós na gaoithe.

Rinne mamaí pláta ispíní, bagúin, uibheacha agus pónairí. Chuir Eoin glaoch ar a chairde Aisling chun féachaint cén t-am a raibh siad ag dul go dtí an coillte.

Ar a leathuair taréis a deich, bhual sé lena chairde ag an caifé agus thosaigh siad ag déanamh plean. Ansin, chuaigh siad go dtí an coillte. Shrioch siad an coillte ar fiche cuig taréis a haon deag.

Thosaigh siad ag siúil sa choillte agus tar éis fiche noiméad, bhí na chairde i lár na háite.

Ach go tobann, chuala na chairde torann. Chonaic Eoin mac tíre agus thosaigh na chairde ag rith i dtreo charraig mhór ach thusle Eoin agus thit sé sa pholl mór.

Chuir Aisling fíos ar otharcharr agus thainig é tar éis deich noiméad. Chuaigh siad go dtí an ospidéal. Bhí Eoin chomh bán le sneachta. Thug an dochtúir x ray dó. Thug sé leigheas dó fresin agus tar éis uair amhain chuaigh sé abhaile.

Nuair a shroich Eoin abhaile, thug a mhám cupán tae dó. Ansin, chuaigh Eoin go dtí an leaba agus thit sé ina codladh.

Níl aon tinteán mar do thinteán féin!

GAME & MUSIC REVIEW

FORTNITE

JODY McDONAGH

Fortnite has lost its appeal. The island has flipped and we lost pump shotguns and assault rifles. Instead, we got ripoff guns and we got places like a Ripoff Grotto and OG Tilted Towers. Spider-Man has landed on the island as a new character. Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson and Gunnar have brought along two new guns with them. To sum up, these new additions have greatly disappointed and led to less enjoyable game-play.



ARIANE GRANDE

KATHLEEN
SHERLOCK



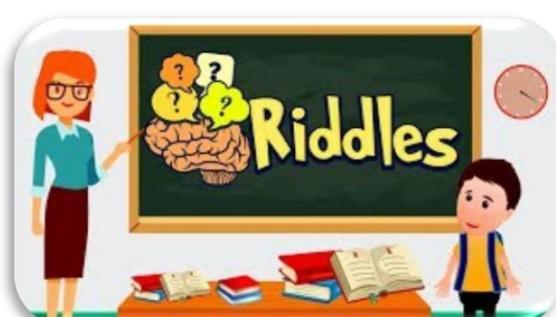
Ariana Grande is an American singer, songwriter and actress. Her most famous song is 'Rain on Me' but my favourite is '7 Rings'. Her music is catchy and easy to dance to. She has not planned any tour to Ireland in the near future but if she ever does, I would love to go. Ariana always wears her hair in a pony-tail. Lots of people like to copy her style. I look forward to the release of her next song.

RIDDLES

MEI HUAN & ROISIN FUREY

1. What has 13 hearts but no other organs? **A: A deck of cards.**
2. I no longer have eyes, but once I did see. Once I had thoughts, but now white and empty. **A: A skull.**
3. What is always in front of you but can't be seen? **A: The future.**
4. Why do bees hum? **A: Because they don't know the words.**
5. A seven letter word containing thousands of letters, What am I? **A: A Postbox**
6. How many letters are in the alphabet? **A: There are 11 letters in "The Alphabet".**
7. 10 fish are in a tank, 2 drown, 4 swim away and 3 die. How many are left? **A: 10**
8. What can travel around the world while staying in a corner? **A: A stamp.**
9. I am an odd number. Take away a letter and I become even. What number Am I? **A: Seven.**
10. The more you take, the more you leave behind. What Am I? **A: Footsteps**
11. What has a neck but no head, arms but no hands? **A: A Shirt**
12. I have been around for millions of years but am only a month old. What Am I? **A: The Moon**
13. Where can you find cities, towns, shops and streets but no people? **A: A Map**
14. What is the laziest mountain? **A: Mt. Ever-rest**

15. I'm filled with keys but can't open a lock. What Am I? **A: A Piano**
16. What bank never has money? **A: A River bank**
17. What is full of holes but still holds water? **A: A Sponge**
18. What gets wet while drying? **A: A Towel**
19. If it took 6 people, 9 hours to build a barn, how long would it take 12 people to build the same barn? **A: None, the barn is already built.**
20. What can't be kept until it's given? **A: A promise.**
21. Why is Santa so good at Karaté? **A: Because he wears a black belt.**
22. When you walk into a room with a: a match, a candle, a lamp and a fireplace, which do you light first? **A: The match.**
23. What teaches but doesn't talk? **A: A book.**
24. Mississippi has 4 S's and 4 I's. Can you spell that without using S or I? **A: T-H-A-T**
25. You go at red and stop at green. What Am I? **A: A watermelon.**
26. If you drop a yellow hat in a Red Sea, what does it become? **A: Wet**
27. What is so fragile that saying its name breaks it? **A: Silence**
28. Before Mount Everest was discovered, what was the highest mountain on earth? **A: Mount Everest.**
29. I don't have wings, but I can fly. I don't have eyes but I can cry. What Am I? **A: A Cloud.**
30. What begins with T, ends with T, and has T in it? **A: A Teapot**



LOCAL CELEBS!

The History of The Kilfenora Céili Band

KATELYNNE GERAGHTY & BETHAN MARSH

The Kilfenora Céili Band was started by Michael Slattery in 1909. PJ Lynch started re-organising the band in 1953. Pianist Kitty Linanne retired as band leader in the early 90s. The current leader, John Lynch, re-entered them into all their competitions.

The Kilfenora Ceili Band won three All Ireland competitions in a row from 1994 to 1996. Soon after their accomplishments, they were receiving invitations from all over the world.

They have played in places such as the U.S., Britain and France. They have certainly come along way from Kilfenora!

The 11-piece band features four fiddles (Eimear Howley, Sinéad Heagney, Anne Rynne, and Annemarie McCormack), two flutes (Anthony Quigney and Garry Shannon), concertina (Tim Collins), accordion (Claire Griffin), banjo (John Lynch), drums (Sean Griffin) and piano (Fintan McMahon), plus for concert performances Sharon Howley (TG4 Young Musician of the Year 2020-21) on cello and Brian O'Grady on double bass (see pictures below).

Fine singers such as Edel Vaughan and Don Stiffe also appear at concerts with them, and other musicians from Kilfenora and around augment the band when needed.

The Kilfenora Ceili Band have many albums that include: Both Sides Now, Chapter Eight, Century and Now Is The Hour.



INTERVIEW WITH MS. COLFER

LAURA DUNNE & NIAMH PETTY



1. **What's your favourite colour?** Green
2. **What is your favourite restaurant and type of food?** My favourite restaurant is.... Ard Bia. And my favourite food is pasta
3. **What is your favourite dessert?** My favourite is banoffee and cheesecake
4. **What are your favourite sports?** Sea swimming and running.
5. **Why did you decide to be a teacher? How many schools have you taught in? Which was your favourite?** When I was in college I did a degree in psychology but then I wanted to do educational psychology so I did my teaching degree but I stayed teaching because I loved it so much. I've taught in 2 schools, one in London and here. All of the children in both of the schools are AMAZING but this school is my favourite!
6. **Who is your favourite author? What is your favourite book?** I like crime books, my favourite author is Paul Connolly my favourite children's author is Oliver Jefferson.
7. **What would you name your boat if you had one?** Well I've been on a couple of boats and they all had special names. If I had my own boat I would name it after a sea bird!
8. **Do you have any pets?** I do. I have a cat called Bertie. She is 10 years old and her full name is Albertina Mary Colfer.
9. **Which did you prefer as a child- secondary or primary school?** I liked primary school better. It was out in the countryside, it was a two teacher school. The principal let us have really long breaks and our other teacher would teach us to sew.
10. **Where is your favourite holiday destination?** My favourite place to visit is Croesa-Drouvie.
11. **What's the hardest part of teaching?** The hardest part is planning ideas to make the lessons more interesting for the students. Time is another thing that is hard to manage because you have to figure out if you can do it all in one day.
12. **How did you train for swimming across the English Channel?** Okay, I took a good year of training. I would swim before and after work. On weekends, I would spend the day swimming at Blackrock. There was a lot of swimming in the dark. We swam around Galway Bay at night.
13. **Mr. Carty can't swim. What advice would you give him?** He should go to his local pool and get lessons. When he feels confident, he should start swimming in the sea. Always tell people if you're going sea-swimming and don't stay too long if it's cold.
ENJOY YOURSELF!

FOR YOUR TEA BREAK!

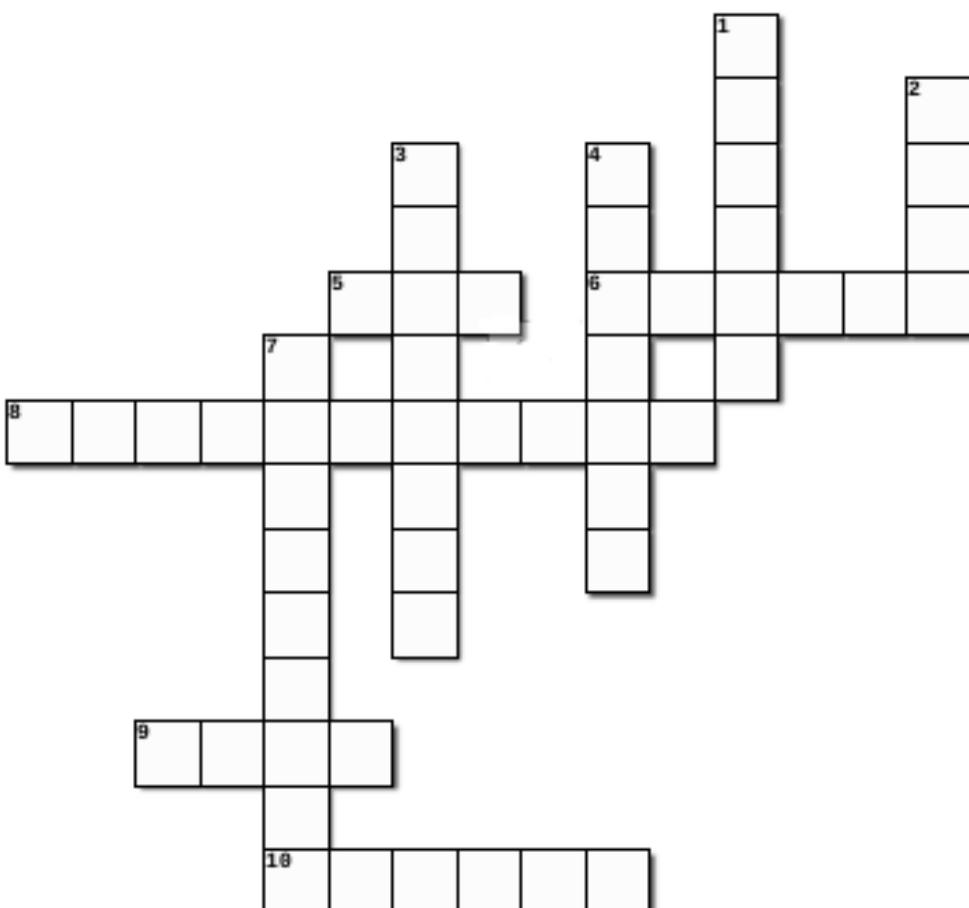
NICOLE BUJNOWSKA & CHLOE McNAMARA



Name: _____

The crossword

Complete the crossword puzzle below



Across

- 5. an unexpected visitor
- 6. includes a lot of detail and rhyming
- 8. a special Christmas treat
- 9. competition of who can draw the best copy of a __
- 10. you can have them on Friday

Down

- 1. there are lots of grikes and clints
- 2. you have to act the part
- 3. one of the most in Ireland
- 4. they are good with icing
- 7. The cake was _____

Answers:
1. Burren, 2. Play, 3. Football, 4. Cupcake, 7. Delicious

Across
5. Dog, 6. Poetry, 8. Gingerbread, 9. Book, 10. Sweets