



FRIDAY MARCH 26, 2021

# SION HILL POST



## WELCOME

Welcome to the final edition of the Newsletter for this term. The samples of work included this week highlight the remarkable dedication shown by our students while working remotely. Over the Easter break, many of our 6th year students will be taking part in oral and practical examinations as part of the Leaving Certificate process. They and their teachers have worked extremely hard in very challenging circumstances and we wish them every success. We wish everyone in our school and the wider community a peaceful and happy Easter and we look forward to welcoming all students back to school on 12th April.

## 1ST YEAR SCIENCE

The first years were learning about the water cycle this week and made models showing some of the different stages of the water cycle.



## COMPUTER SCIENCE

### Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge

In November, roughly twenty Sion Hill students signed up to take part in the regional Bebras Computational Thinking competition and they were all awarded certificates to acknowledge their effort and their scores. We have just been informed that seven of those students achieved scores high enough to qualify them to take part in the National Final competition next month during Tech Week 2021. This is a fantastic achievement, and we wish those students the best of luck in the Final!



## TY GEOGRAPHY

This week, 4th year Geography students participated in the "Bucket list" country competition. Students were asked to think of a country that is first on their bucket list that they want to travel to once travel restrictions are lifted. Students designed posters that included reasons why they chose this country and some interesting facts about the country. Special congratulations to the winners Ira, Angelica and Penelope.



## TY UPDATE



### MAKE UP:

Transition Year Students had a make-up tutorial and question & answer session this week. It was hosted by Caoimhe Foynes, a young make-up artist and entrepreneur who recently opened up her own business. She taught the girls about skin care, which products to use to suit their skin type, fake tan and lots of make up tips.

### GUEST SPEAKERS:

TY's had 2 guest speakers this week. The first was from the DSPCA. She spoke about the work of the DSPCA and how interconnected animal welfare and protecting the environment are to one another. The second guest speaker was John O'Shea, founder and former CEO of GOAL. He spoke about social entrepreneurship and encouraged our students to be active citizens.

### A HOME FOR EVERYONE:

Two groups of TY students worked tirelessly over the last few months as they completed the CIF "A Home for Everyone" Design Challenge. The brief was to design a 3 bedroom house, on a local plot of land, including a parking space and out-door space, be energy efficient and accessible to all. The two groups worked hard, researching, designing, planning, modelling and finally submitting a detailed report on their proposal.



## EASTER BLESSING: A STUDENT'S PRAYER

We come together to join in prayer. We give thanks to God for the term together.

We remember all those who are grieving the loss of a loved one that they will find peace.  
We remember in prayer all our family and all the people in our school community who have supported us and brought us towards our Easter Holidays.

Bless them for their love and generosity,  
Grace them with peace and  
Gift them with our prayers from the heart  
And the Blessings of Easter.

Happy Easter Everyone.  
Amen.



## STUDENT POETRY

### COVID- 19 IS SO MEAN

*Yana, 1 Amber*



I cannot wait until this  
finally ends  
And I can meet up with my friends  
Although I can talk to them online  
Although not the same as our normal shine

I miss seeing my brother and cousins  
The whole Coronavirus is very sad  
We need to keep our distance and stay away  
I hope I can see them soon another day

My cat Perrie helps me through the day  
She is always playful and tired  
She's always there for me and plays with me everyday  
She runs as dogs chase her away for the day

For one day this will be over, our sacrifices done  
And we can all go back to having fun  
We'll look back on this time in memory and call the  
now the when  
For at this time, I promise we will meet again

## STUDENT BAKING

Students have been busy baking recently.  
Here is an Easter cake made by  
Mackenzie in first year



## DEBATING

Two fifth year students, Brooke Dwyer and Ailbhe Quinlan, took part in the semi-finals of the Leinster schools debate run by UCD on Tuesday. The standard was exceptionally high and the girls did incredibly well!

## STUDENT ARTWORK

Digital Artwork by Margaret Escobar (6th year)



Line Drawing by Sofia Keogh (5th year)

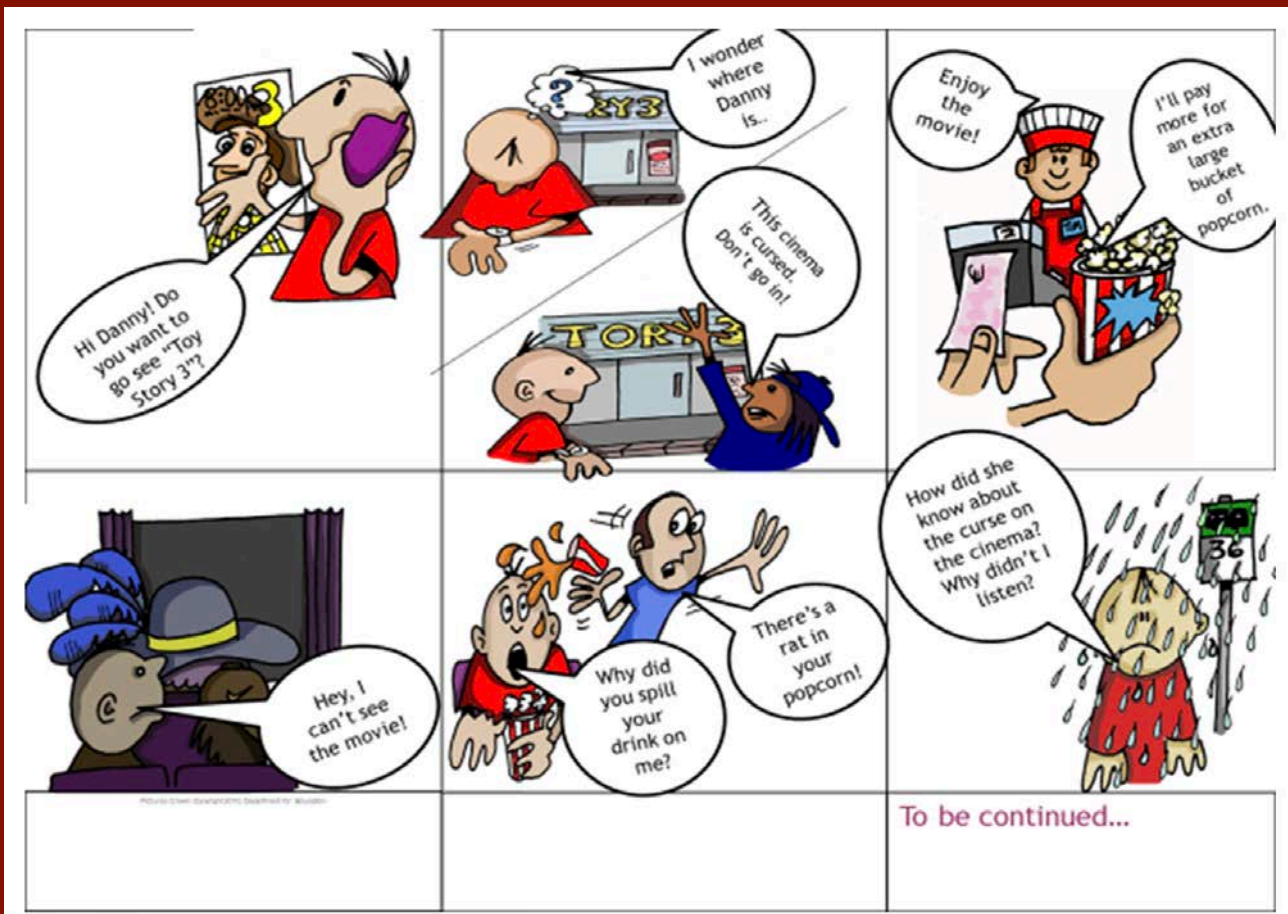


Sketch by Lily-May Craig (5th year)



## TY ENGLISH AND COMMUNICATIONS

TY English and Communication Class have been working on designing their own stories. Here is the first instalment.



# 1ST YEAR RELIGION

Some 1st year RE work - task was to explain what happens at a Jewish wedding in less than 15 words!

## JEWISH MARRIAGE CEREMONY

SYMBOL      CONTRACT      SHTRIMEL

RABBI      MAZEL TOV      WEDDING GOWN

SMASHING GLASS

### Jewish wedding

ketubah      Rabbi arrives      Held in Chuppah

Man breaks cup      Parents arrive

Read      Exchange      Congratulations

DANCE

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### Jewish wedding

Sign Ketubah before wedding      Rabbi      Chuppah

Scriptures      Exchange      Break glass

Hora dance

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2. 👤👤👤👤👤👤 - Rabbi
3. 👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤 - chuppah
4. 👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤 - breaking of wine glass
5. 👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤 - Marriage
6. 👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤 - Mazal Tov
7. 👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤👤 - hora (dance)

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### Jewish weddings

Mazal tov!      Chuppah

Hora      Breaking glass

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# 1st Year RE Work!