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SION HILL POST



WELCOME

It is hard to believe that we are approaching the end of our fourth week of remote learning. Our first ever Online Family Table Quiz was held last week with great enthusiasm from all participants. We thank the Student Council for coming up with such a wide range of interesting questions, the parents association for funding the prizes and Ms Reid for hosting the evening.

There is certainly a scent of optimism in the air as the vaccine rollout gathers pace and Spring starts to slowly embrace us. We encourage everyone to take advantage of the lengthening days to get outdoors and explore local areas as much as possible.

SCIENCE

3rd year Science students had to design a device to convert energy from one form to another. Ariele made a water wheel and Sadhbh made a slingshot.



MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Tá an chéad bhliain ag foghlaim faoina gcaithimh aimsire sa rang Gaeilge faoi láthair. Thaispeáin Damaris Strimbu (1 Sapphire) a bua ceoil don rang nuair a sheinn sí port álainn ar an gcláirseach. Bhain gach duine an-taitneamh as an gceolchoirm bheag. Tá áthas an domhain ar an Roinn Ceoil freisin go bhfuil seinnteoir cláirsí sa scoil chun an traidisiún fada seo a choimeád beo.

First Year students are currently learning about their hobbies in Irish class. Damaris Strimbu (1 Sapphire) demonstrated her musical talent to the class when she played a lovely tune on the harp. Everyone enjoyed the mini concert. The Music Department are also delighted to have a harp player in Sion Hill to keep this long school tradition alive.



A WORD FROM THE ARTS COMMITTEE

The Arts committee reflects on the role of the arts during the pandemic;

We can all agree that Lockdown has been incredibly hard for everyone. As a result of the global pandemic everyone had to stay inside and we're not able to go to school/work or see our friends. It has been challenging, but a lot of good things still happened throughout it. A lot of people were able to use their creativity to do some really amazing things to help them through the pandemic. People have been able to paint amongst nature, play an instrument, dance, draw and write to help them cope with this ongoing situation. It doesn't have to be something big; it could be something as simple as taking a picture or watching your favourite TV show/movie. In the arts community we are encouraging people to use their talents to help them get through this difficult time. It can be anything as long you are being creative!

POEM

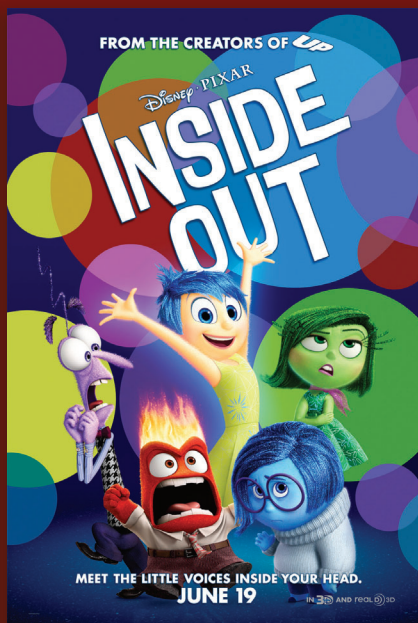
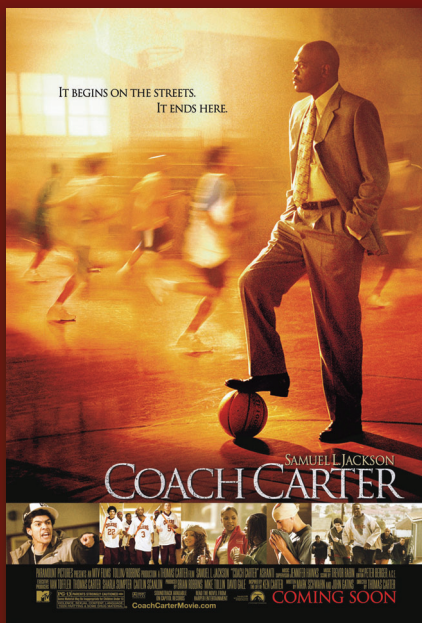
The Throstle

Alfred Tennyson

"Summer is coming, summer is coming,
I know it, I know it, I know it.
Light again, leaf again, life again, love again,
Yes, my wild little Poet.
Sing the new year in under the blue.
Last year you sang it as gladly.
'New, new, new, new'! Is it then so new
That you should carol so madly?
'Love again, song again, nest again, young again,'
Never a prophet so crazy!
And hardly a daisy as yet, little friend,
See, there is hardly a daisy.
'Here again, here, here, here, happy year'!
O warble unchidden, unbidden!
Summer is coming, is coming, my dear,
And all the winters are hidden.

TY UPDATE

In recent weeks, Transition Year Activities have included "Yoga with Adriene" and "PE with Joe Wicks." They were also invited to watch a movie with a positive message and tell us why they liked it – here is a selection of some of the movies chosen:



LOCKDOWN CREATIVITY IN THE ART DEPARTMENT

Here is a small sample of the Artwork submitted by our Art students to Mr. Glynn in January. Creativity under difficult circumstances. A special mention to those with limited materials, who created remarkable Artwork with toothbrushes, cotton buds, coffee, spices, and even mud.

