

### Diary Dates

To be confirmed Sports Day and BBQ

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> June End of Year Service

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> June Last day of the school year

Mon. 1<sup>st</sup> Sept Back to school – start of new academic year

### Book Rental

The cost remains the same as last year.

1 child €35.00

2 children €60.00

3 children €80.00

Please give this money to Hannah **before 20<sup>th</sup>** of June.

The Junior School Tour travelled to Skibbereen for the delights of the Treehouse and playground. Work submitted by Sarah.



Our school tour  
we went on a bus to Skibbereen  
I loved the multi-coloured slide  
I didn't like going home.  
The most exciting part was  
going in the don.  
I loved the treehouse.



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Farewell and good luck, Ed

*First we were collected from school at 8:15am. We arrived at the "West Cork Secret" in Kilbrittain at 10am. Finbarr talked to us about the rules. First thing was orienteering. We were put in groups of three for that. My team was Ed, Hazel and I. While we were waiting for the rest of the teams to finish we had small lunch. Then we did pool dipping in our groups of three and we found tadpoles and lots of bugs. After we did team building we were put 2 groups, the red team and the blue team. I was in the red team with Cameron, Michael, Caitlin, Hazel, Ed, Luke and Lauren. We milked fake cows, went go-karting and lots more! We had home-made pizza - it was yummy! After we did more team work. We put water through pipes and had a water fight after. We did the junior and senior assault course. We also went on a water slide then had showers. Afterwards the bus driver took us to the whale bones playground in Kilbrittain. We arrived back at school at 5pm*

by Saoirse

### *CRAFTed - Session 3 by Shonagh*

*Today we finished cutting our shields. Then we nailed the shields together with the wood we steamed last week. When I had finished cutting my shield it looked like a diamond. It was really fun. At the end I thought that they looked really cool. Some were big and some were small. Mine was small. Lily's was big. Some were funny shapes. I liked the shape of mine. They all turned out to be really good. I was really happy with my work.*

### *CRAFTed - Session 4 by Lynn*

*This week we were designing our shields. First of all we sanded our shields or did anything we wanted to make it better looking. After that we put rope on the backs of them to make a handle. Then we drilled holes in the shield with a hand drill and gimlets. We got veneer wood and cut shapes out of it and stuck them on our shields. We were allowed to put string of wool on our shield. After that we were finished so we helped with the main shield for the school. Unfortunately next week is our last week. We have learned lots and had so much fun.*

### *CRAFTed - Session 5 by Benjy*

*Today was our last day with Anke so we had to finish our shields. When I got my shield i took of the masking tape I had put on to hold my veneer in place last week. Then i drilled some more holes. After that I made my design to go on the school shield. After lunch I put wool through the holes I made. Then I put my design on the school shield. I glazed my shield with linseed oil then helped the little ones finish theirs. It was really great fun working with wood and I hope we do it next year.*



*Waiting in line for the Pyrotechnics*

### *Fire Demonstration*

*Yesterday firemen from Bantry Fire Station came to give a demonstration on chip pan fires. They came at 9:10am and set up then, at 9:30, we went out and lined up along the barrier.*

*They told us that under no circumstance we were to cross the barrier. The fireman went through what was going to happen. He said there was going to be noise, heat, smoke and a lot of fire. He talked to us about the many dangers of fire. One of the firemen then put a tiny bit of water on the oil fire and it exploded. Then the fireman put a whole glass of water on the fire and there was a massive explosion and a lot of heat.*

*After the flames had died down the fireman told us about a man who came back from the pub and was hungry so he put on his chip pan but then went into the living room and fell asleep. The pan of oil set on fire and burned the house down and killed the man. The fireman gave us a survey to do for homework and an early lunch for being so cooperative*

*By Ed*