

Final Report

2018-2019



School Details

School Name

Clonroche National School

School Address

<u>Clonroche,</u>

Enniscorthy,

Co. Wexford.

Teacher Name

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Historical

Please outline below how your school fulfilled the criteria for the historical section of the Blue Star Programme highlighting in particular where technology was used for this project work. Feel free to add photos where you can.

The children in 5th and 6th classes carried out research on World War II using the internet and history books to find facts. They examined propaganda and how this helped to portray opinions on both sides during World War II. They looked at how WWII contributed to the formation of the E.U. They studied the development of the European Union over time and Ireland's part within it.



Geographical

Please outline below how your school fulfilled the criteria for the geographical section of the Blue Star Programme. Feel free to add photos where you can.

Junior and senior infants studied Ireland and learned many facts about it. They told us all about what they had learned during our Europe Day celebrations. The teacher brought these lessons to life with the help of the interactive whiteboard. They learned about Hook Lighthouse in detail and watched it in real time on the lighthouse website.

First and Second Classes studied France and used ICT to put together projects. They also spoke at Europe Day about their experience and what they had learned. We learned so much about France from them. They even spoke some French!

The children from third to sixth classes learned the physical geography of the E.U. countries along with their capital cities and flags. Each child picked an E.U. country and carried out detailed projects on them, using the internet to help them. They presented the projects to their classes. They put the projects together for presentation using PowerPoint and Microsoft Word and some projects were handwritten. The projects were displayed on the walls around the school. They spoke about their projects on Europe Day and told everyone what the most interesting facts they had learned were.

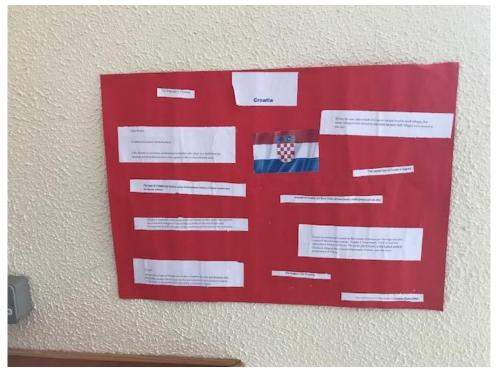
The senior classes also learned about climate change and how human activity impacts it.























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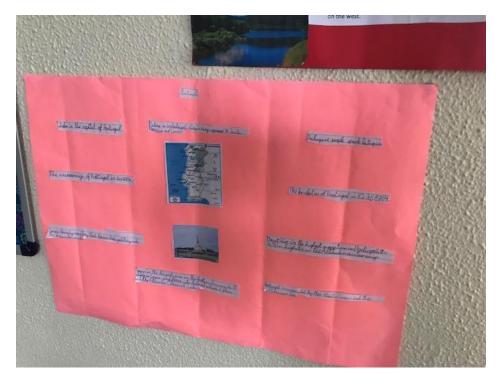




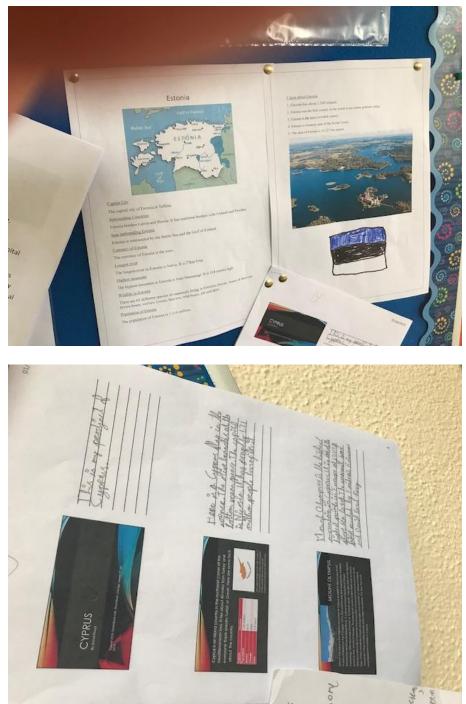




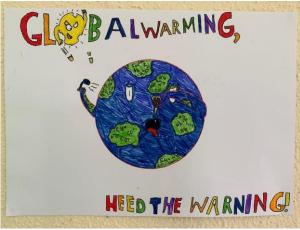








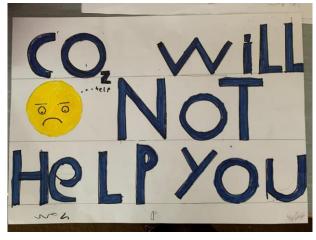






































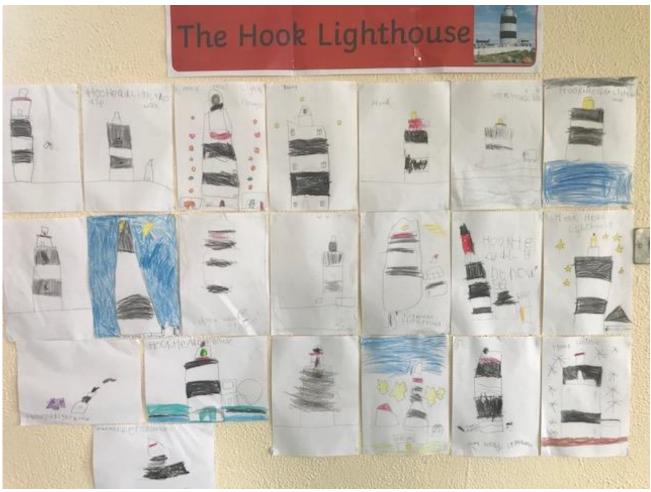
Cultural & Creative

Please outline below how your school carried out the cultural and creative section of the Blue Star Programme focusing in particular on the creative elements of this part of the Programme. Feel free to add photos where you can.

Children made and sampled food from different E.U. countries. Each class, from junior infants to sixth class, drew a picture representing the country they studied or a landmark from a country they learned about. These were displayed as an exhibition in our assembly hall on Europe Day.







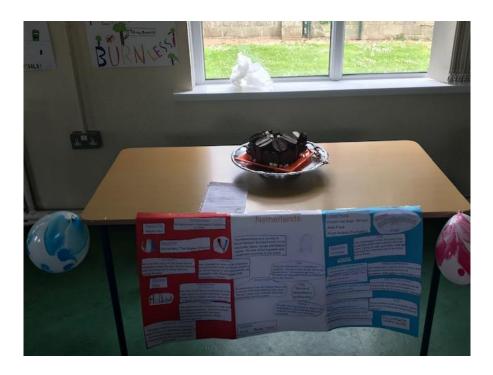






























Institutional

Please outline below how your school carried out the learning for the the Institutional section of he Blue Star Programme. Feel free to add photos where you can.

Fifth and sixth classes looked at the development of the E.U. from 1957 to present day. We looked at how it has expanded and changed over time and how the institutions of the E.U. have a huge part to play in this. We looked at the Council of the Union, The European Parliament, The European Commission, The European Court of Justice and The Court of Auditors. The children carried out research in groups on each of the institutions and presented their findings to the class.



Europe Day Celebrations

Please outline below how your school celebrated Europe Day and how these celebrations included the wider school community. Feel free to add photos where you can.

Fifth and sixth class put together a short presentation on the E.U. to give all classes an overview of it. Each class presented the findings from their project work. We had an exhibition of our projects and art work. Some of our students spoke French and we all tried to learn a bit. We had our food sampling on this day also. We ended the celebration with the European handshake, done to the European Anthem.

































Please list any visits to your school by Ministers, MEPs, TDs, Senators, Ambassadors or other VIPs as part of the Programme.

Unfortunately we were unable to secure any visitors before Europe Day. This is something we will look into earlier the next time we apply to do the Blue Star Flag.

Feedback

Please include any additional thoughts or comments that you had about the Blue Star Programme: would you participate again, how could the Programme be improved, did you do anything particularly different as part of your Programme?

We found this programme very beneficial. It gave us an excellent focus for the year. We would most definitely participate in it again. The children learned a huge amount and their ICT skills improved also. Hopefully we will be able to secure a visit from an MEP the next time we participate. This proved very difficult to try and organise.



Thank you!

Please submit this Action Plan, preferably by email to <u>bluestar@europeanmovement.ie</u> or post it to us at:

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