A guide to

CREATIVE WEEK 2020

LET'S Inspire You – Our Top Picks

Music and Drama

The Ark Create a love song

Check out this heart-warming project and listen to the entries so far. I was smiling from ear to ear when I heard the first one. Then think about what you love and record yourself singing about it. It could be how much you love your granny or strawberries or even ducks! Submit your entry online for a chance to visit the Ark when it opens again. Also please record yourself on Seesaw to make our day.

Drama Improvisation Creative Schools TV

Aisling Bryne is our Creative Schools co-ordinator and she has put together this brilliant Zoom video that you can try with your friends. Skip to 2 minutes to see the improvisation games. After watching it try out the one sentence story with a friend or someone in your family. Record your story and put it on Seesaw. The wackier the better.

Learn Something New

Learn Spanish with Lola

Lola is a new teacher in the school from Spain and she has put together a fun, engaging video on speaking Spanish. Sing along to the catchy song, practice counting to 10 and say hello and goodbye in Spanish. Then record the words you learned and post it on Seesaw.

Go on a Virtual tour with Claire

Pack your bags you're off to county Cork with First Class teacher Claire. After watching the video write down two things your learned about Cobh in County Cork and one reason you would love to visit. You can write it on Seesaw or in your copy.

Create

Upcycling with Mary

Is there something old in your house that's never used anymore? Why not bring it back to life or give it a new life by making it into something else. Take a before and after picture and put it on Seesaw. One example is to take an old jar and recreate it into a gratitude jar. You can see the instructions on the padlet.

Virtual Learning Portrait

This is one of my favourite ideas for Creative Week. Look up Virtual Learning Portraits on YouTube to see a glimpse into the lives of hundreds of students across the world during this time. It was inspired by photographer Gregg Segal. The idea is to take a picture of you surrounded by all the things you love to do right now. For me, I would include jigsaws, The Happy Pear cook book, coffee, my runners and the book I'm reading at the moment. Post your Virtual Learning Portrait on Seesaw. Save it to look back on in the future as a snapshot of your life right now.

Ciaran Mandela

Using outdoor materials from your garden or local park learn how to make a Mandela pattern with Ciaran. Take a picture of your Mandela and share it on Seesaw.

Make your own Camera Obscura

All you'll need is kitchen roll, toilet roll, tape, tin foil, baking paper (or cereal lining), a scissors and a pin or thumb tack. Easy to make. Amazing results!

Planting with Derek

Make your own planting containers using old plastic bottles and other materials to plant your own seeds in your garden. Be creative and have fun! Take a photo of what you've planted and share it with us!

Baking and Cooking

Go on a Virtual Picnic with Second Class teacher Sharon

Sharon talks you through how to make the perfect picnic for your family or friends. Try out her Rocky Road biscuit cake and homemade lemonade. You are in for a treat! Take a picture on your picnic and post it to Seesaw.

Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies with Elley

Why don't you have a go at baking Elley's chocolate chip cookies or show us a photo or a video of your own baking or write up one of your favourite recipes to share with us.

Creative Writing

Bright Sparks Stories Inspired by Animals

Listen to children's writer Sarah Webb read her favourite stories about animals. Creative Bursts Challenge: Write a story through the eyes of your dog. If you do not have a dog make one up. Give it a name and character. One day your dog starts talking to you. What does it say?

Be your own writer of history

Use this booklet to fill out your own history document of my 2020 Covid 19 Time Capsule and share it with us.

Imagine Nation

In this gorgeously illustrated playbook, you'll find activities, puzzles, poems and short stories from some of Ireland's best children's writers and illustrators that we hope will delight, entertain and spark creativity.

Enjoy Creative Week 2020 and don't forget to share your Creations. We can't wait to see them!