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Clare County Development Plan 2022-2028 Ms. De Barra's 5th Class

Scoil Chríost Rí, Cloughleigh, Ennis

For our vision, we focussed on the area surrounding our school 'Scoil Chríost Rí'. There is a lovely walkway beside the river Fergus across from our school. We would love to see some of the trees labelled with identification plaques. Maybe a tree and leaf identification trail or scavenger hunt could be put in there.

Dog waste on the footpaths is a big problem in our area. We would like to see poo bag dispensers and bins installed in the estate and near to our school. We would also like to have more litter bins and a bottle bank in our estate.

Some of the estate looks quite run down. We would like more plants and trees and we would love if a colourful mural was painted on one of the walls in the estate. It would be great if a new playground was built in Cloughleigh for the many children that live in the area.

We think that there should be more pedestrian crossings in the estate to help us cross the road safely. We would love to see more people using renewable energy to power their homes.



School Project: County Council Development Plan

We are Ms. Kenny's 5th / 6th Class from Scoil Chriost Ri, Ennis.



We have designed town features that we think would enhance the town.

First and foremost we have included a hospital A&E department. We NEED this department in our town. We cannot keep travelling to Limerick for emergencies and to help our families to get better.

Our A&E as you can see in our pictures has a "drive-thru" option for the ambulance where people can be dropped off and the ambulance can keep going. Doctors will meet patients at the drop off point in the hospital. Not all people will be able to get there by car.

Now, let's talk parking!! Ennis is such a busy town and right now we are experiencing a huge shortage in car spaces. Look at our pictures and see have built a sky scraper that provides endless spaces to meet our needs. Oh and did we mention, it's all free parking? No more parking tickets! This will be funded by all the excess toll money they collect at toll bridges each year.

We have added a smoothie bar to Lees road. See our fun menu complete with price list. We hope this encourages more people to come out and exercise. They can also meet and gather out in the open air for social distancing. The

smoothie bar would also provide employment for teenagers during the summer.

One of our favourite new additions would be more 'O'Connor's' bakeries around the town. Our building has included a take-away hatch so people do not have to go inside. It also has menu and pricing out front. Maybe one at each street corner like Starbucks! Mmmmmmm delicious! Of course some warning signs would have to be included that you could not eat these sweet treats every day. ©

We have included a new hotel so we could increase employment and attract loads of visitors to the town. This hotel would have gaming stations in the rooms! Our town also includes a new boutique. Ennis is famous for its shop windows and the pride shopkeepers take in their shop fronts. Our boutique is owned by two fashion designers from Ennis town to promote local. The clothes are designed and made on site.

We have included more green areas / gathering places in the centre of town to promote coming together and meeting outside to avoid close contact. We have put a beautiful water feature in the town which was designed by a local sculptor.

We are proud of our development plan for Ennis. It has been created with the best interests of the people in mind.

WE love our town!

5th /6th Class, Scoil Chríost Rí. Ennis

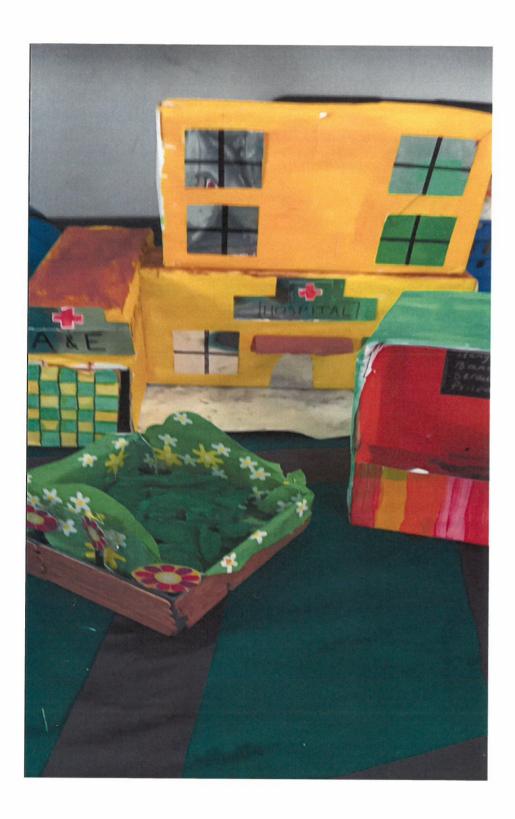






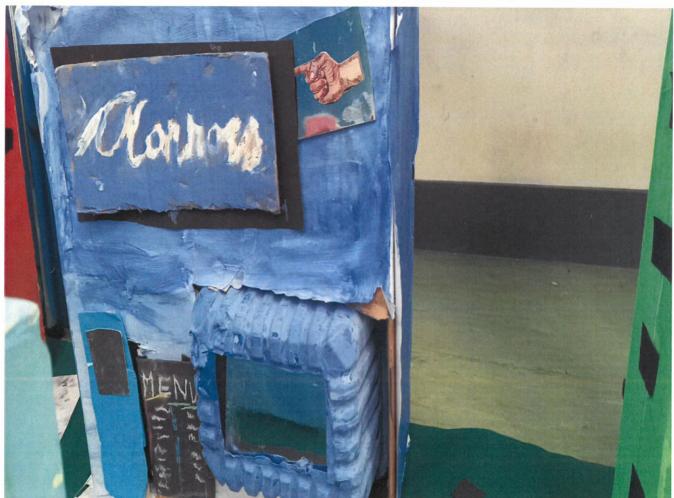


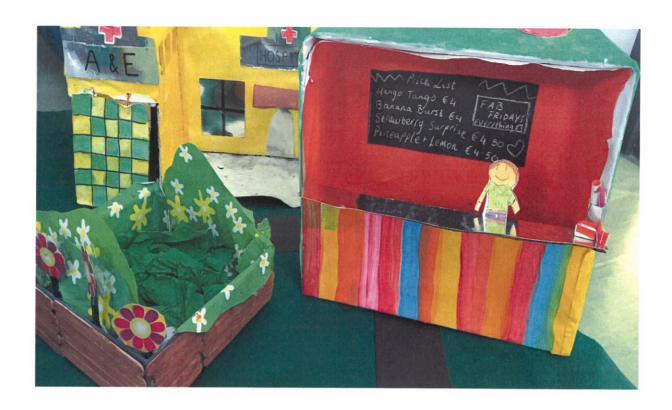




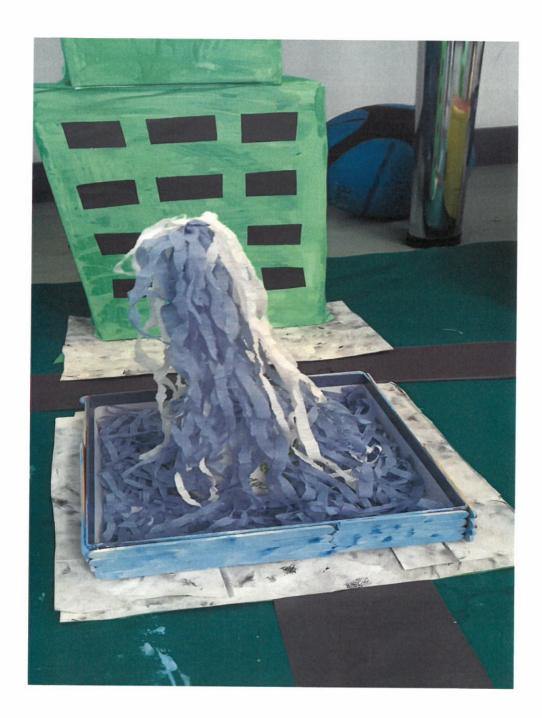












Our Local Area 2028

We have high hopes in Rang a Ceathair for our local area in the future (2028). We are very proud of our local community. Our community currently has facilities that we use as part of our daily lives, such as: **community centre**, **astroturf**, **local shop**, **church**, **sports teams and our school**. These facilities help us to enjoy the area in which we live.

We have made a big effort with Mr. Griffin on this project to see what could be done in the future to make our locality even nicer. We used many resources to give ourselves some ideas on what could be done in our area to make it a better place to live (listed below). As our poster shows we focused in on some aspects that were important to a lot of people in our class and these were:

- Increase in number of trees (Tree Planting)
- Closer proximity to recycling facilities to encourage use
- A focus on the use of solar energy (Flying cars!) Solar energy could be use to supply heat and electricity to local businesses – Example: Keanes Butchers, Mill Road, Ennis.

We really hope you like what we have put together in our classroom and would be happy to discuss further with you in the future.

Resources Used:

Town Planning Booklet

Science Week Lesson on Cities of the Future -

<u>file:///C:/Users/student/Downloads/SW-2020-Discussion-Toolkit-Future-Cities%20(2).pdf</u>

Greatest Cities of the World – (Sydney, Australia) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BeJIPmNZ6Ic

Google Earth

Google Street view

Will Covid-19 help us create better cities for the future - https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/may/24/will-covid-19-show-us-how-to-design-better-cities