



School of the Divine Child  
Lavanagh, Ballintemple, Cork

# School Garden Competition 2017

Welcome to S.D.C



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National Association for the Promotion  
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## Our Plan of Action

We have selected different garden spaces around our school.

**Our Junior classes** are working on creating a mixed garden with particular emphasis on colour, simplicity and a fun place to be. They are developing their little sensory garden, which is used as a learning tool throughout the school, with lots of herbs, a place where the students experience all the senses: sight, hearing, touch, smell & taste.

**The middle classes** are concentrating on creating a 'Fairy Garden' a place of wonder & magic for our students. They were assisted by some of our parents. Students used their art /craft work to enhance their garden space.

Another group are creating a **Bug Hotel** with a host of wonderful surprises.

**The Senior students** are busy with their vegetable raised bed. This year they have planted lettuce, potatoes, brussel sprouts, tomatoes and strawberries as part of their horticulture programme. The senior group also decided to create a special '**Henry Ford Centenary Garden**' to celebrate 100 years of Henry Ford in Cork. Using only recycled materials, students designed a replica of the Model T., window boxes and a host of other surprises e.g. a beautiful swan moulded out of an old tyre and used as a flower bed. The whole school is actively involved in the Gardening Project & take great pride in our wonderful community.

It is co-ordinated by Mary O'Hanlon





Ready for the big clean up!



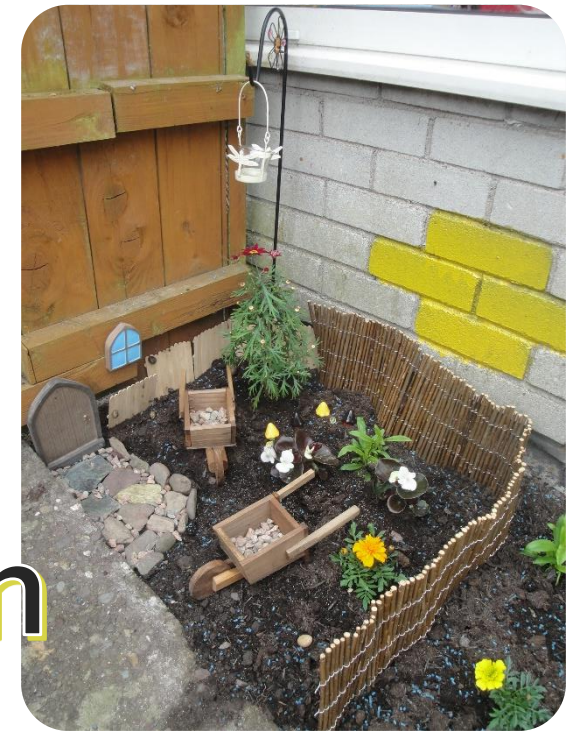




# All hands on deck







# Welcome to our Fairy Garden

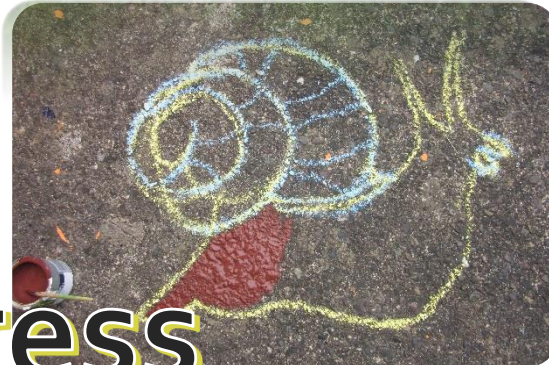




# Bug Hotel



You are welcome to take a look!



A work in progress





# Vegetable & Woodland Patch







Our River Rock Water Butt



Upcycling  
at  
its  
best





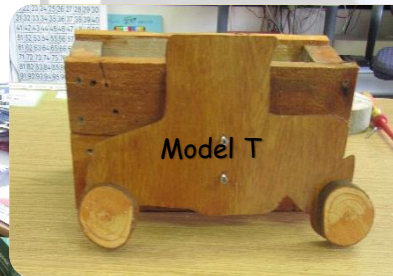


Using recycle materials  
to create our  
'Henry Ford' Centenary Garden





# Innovation & Creativity





# Work in Progress



Students busy building window boxes and a Model T.



# The arrival of the judges







Myles puts  
the finishing  
touches  
to the 'Bug  
Hotel'







# Fairy Garden

Ciara's Garden



# Sarah's Class



A traffic jam!





Senior class  
Celebrating 100 years of Henry Ford & his Model. T



Ciara's group





# Presentation Ceremony in County Hall





Success all round  
Our school garden received  
an award for the most  
Innovative garden in the  
Competition.  
Well done to all!



**THE END.**