

Today we finished our salt dough family piece



Ingredients for this size -

500g of plain flour

250g salt

250mls of water (add slightly more water if necessary)

Bake in oven on lowest heat for 3 hours or until rock hard (took about 4 hours for ours)





This is made from cardboard so a cereal box or shoe box would be perfect.





Can you spot 10 differences between these two Easter bunnies?

## Rabbit related

See if you can match up all these rabbit-related nouns.

MALE	BUCK	KITTEN
GROUP	WARREN	
FEMALE	DOE	
HOME	HERD	
BABY	DOE	

## Vexing veggies

Can you work out what each of these veggies costs the farmer and solve this puzzle?

$$3 \text{ green peas} + 3 \text{ green peas} + 3 \text{ green peas} = 30$$

$$3 \text{ green peas} + 3 \text{ carrots} + 3 \text{ carrots} = 18$$

$$3 \text{ carrots} - 3 \text{ green peas} = 2$$

$$3 \text{ green peas} + 3 \text{ green peas} + 3 \text{ carrots} = ??$$

## Easter eggs

See if you can figure out the words to help us spell EASTER in the yellow eggs.

1. **E** \_\_\_ for breakfast.
2. Roger **A** \_\_\_
3. **S** \_\_\_ shine.
4. Spring flower: **T** \_\_\_
5. Hatched egg **E** \_\_\_
6. Rabbit food **R** \_\_\_

**RABBIT FACT**  
Rabbits eat an average of 500g of green matter every day.

## Rabbit or Hare?

Can you figure out which of these are rabbit facts and which are hares?

1. Live below ground.
2. Breed from three months.
3. Born fully furred.
4. Breed after first year.
5. Born with eyes closed.
6. Born with eyes open.
7. Live above ground.
8. Born with no fur.
9. Young called leverets.

ANSWERS: BUNNY BAFFLER: In the dictionary. FAMOUS FURRY FRIENDS CROSSWORD: ACROSS: 2. Thumper; 5. Bugs; 6. Peter. DOWN: 1. Velveteen; 3. Roger; 4. White; 5. Brie; RABBIT RELATED: male = buck; group = herd; female = doe; home = warren; baby = kitten. EASTER EGGS: 1. Eggs; 2. Rabbit; 3. Sun; 4. Tulip; 5. Chicken; 6. Carrot. VEXING VEGGIES: 14  
RABBIT OR HARE? Rabbit: 1, 4, 5, 8. Hare: 2, 3, 6, 7, 9.

**RABBIT FACT**  
The rabbit we most commonly see in the wild is the European Rabbit (*Oryctolagus cuniculus*).

## Bunny baffle

Hop straight in and see if you can solve this Easter-type conundrum:

Where does St Patrick's Day come after Easter?

## Bunny blockword

E W S L T  
T R E E T B S J H  
C S U L S O A T E K L  
P C N H O N N T C E N Q T  
C U X H K P W Y R I N P U H K  
E N I U Q E L R A H R A A V P U  
M L I O N H E A D I A C P O F S T  
A C F H D I N C I N U I I R Q L S  
S F A Q S S T A K E W R L E G R W  
R U L P L D I S A Y L R E L V L C E N  
T E E L A I C L R S A L M O L H W T W  
O R F L D L F K O N N L A N I H A Y W  
I I H N U T O O P D K A N S N B L Y  
W H D W A R F M R P E G C M G L L N T  
E N A N A V A H I N R H I O I J I L  
E T A N N C X P N I H R A W H L V  
T Q T N T E H O L O A K T N Q A Y  
D I U R R E L B A S N R S T T  
C D U S E A I C M O T J I R R  
P C J B R E L W Q M T A R H L  
T C R U A R L A T E K  
T R C U S N S J  
Y E B S U

There are over 60 breeds of rabbit around the world. See if you can find some of these in the blockword:

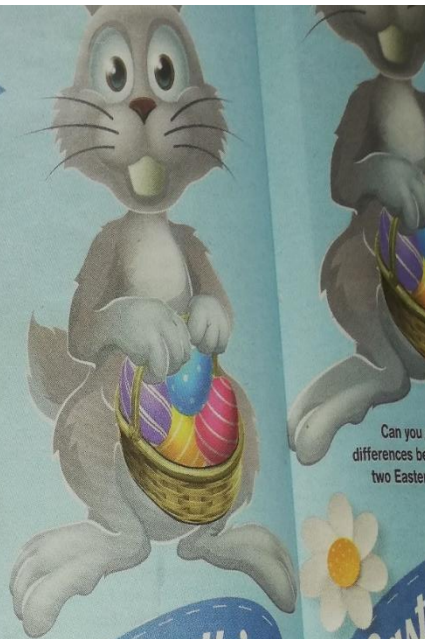
- AMERICAN
- ANGORA
- CALIFORNIAN
- CHINCHILLA
- CINNAMON
- DUTCH
- DWARF
- GIANT
- HARLEQUIN
- HAVANA
- HIMALAYAN
- LILAC
- LIONHEAD
- LOP
- PALOMINO
- PAPILLON
- POLISH
- REX
- RHINELANDER
- SABLE
- SATIN
- SILVER
- TAN

## Riddle me this

Can you work out the letter from each line of this rhyme? Write them below to solve the riddle.

My first is in Bugs and also in Brer,  
My second is in buck but not in hare,  
My third is in never and in near,  
My fourth is in then, but not in there,  
My fifth found in yes and also yeh,  
My whole is a hopper,  
but not with six legs.

1    2    3    4    5



Can you see differences between two Easter bunnies?

# Famous furry friends

The clues in this crossword are all famous rabbit names. Fill in the answers to these clues, then use the letters in the circles to find out where wild rabbits live.

1							
2		U					3
							O
		4		5			
		W		B			
							R
6						R	

**ACROSS**

- 2. Bambi's bestie.
- 5. "What's up, Doc?"
- 6. Beatrix's bunny.

**DOWN**

- 1. Becoming real.
- 3. Married to Jessica.
- 4. Leading Alice.
- 5. Uncle Remus's rabbit.

Name of a rabbit's home.



# Odd bunny out

See if you can find which of these silhouettes appears only once.



**RABBIT FACTS**

The Irish word for rabbit is Colnín.

# Vegeting veggies

Can you work out what each of these veggies costs the farmer and solve this puzzle?

## Playdough recipe

*Did you know you can make playdough in next to no time from everyday ingredients found in your kitchen cupboards? Save money and involve the kids in this thrifty kitchen craft activity.*



This super-easy playdough recipe is the perfect way to spend a rainy afternoon inside. It's quick enough to hold a young child's attention and you only need a few storecupboard ingredients. Little hands can play with the results straightaway, so there's immediate gratification for all involved!

**Makes** 1 coloured ball

**Prep** 10 minutes

### You will need

- 8 tbsp plain flour
- 2 tbsp table salt
- 60ml warm water
- food colouring
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil

### Method

1. Mix the flour and salt in a large bowl. In a separate bowl mix together the water, a few drops of food colouring and the oil.
2. Pour the coloured water into the flour mix and bring together with a spoon.
3. Dust a work surface with a little flour and turn out the dough. Knead together for a few minutes to form a smooth, pliable dough. If you want a more intense colour you can work in a few extra drops of food colouring.
4. Store in a plastic sandwich bag (squeeze out the air) in the fridge to keep it fresh. You can make a batch of colours and give away as kids' party bag favours or hold a playdough party for your child's next birthday

## **Make your own ice-cream with Zip-loc bags**

Yes, it sounds dangerous and the potential for messes seems highly likely, but you'll be surprised at the good, "clean" fun you'll enjoy with your students when you make ice cream. The key to success is to plan smart and follow our simple instructions. The lesson possibilities for this one are nearly endless. Your class can explore the history of ice cream and dairy products, the chemistry of ice, salt and exothermic reactions, or use it as an exercise in the scientific method: what if you make the following recipe without salt?

This recipe is enough for one student, so that each student can make their own.

1/2 cup milk  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla  
1 tablespoon sugar  
4 cups crushed ice  
4 tablespoons salt  
2 quart size Zip-loc bags  
1 gallon size Zip-loc freezer bag  
a hand towel or gloves to keep fingers from freezing as well!

Mix the milk, vanilla and sugar together in one of the quart size bags. Seal tightly, allowing as little air to remain in the bag as possible. Too much air left inside may force the bag open during shaking. Place this bag inside the other quart size bag, again leaving as little air inside as possible and sealing well. By double-bagging, the risk of salt and ice leaking into the ice cream is minimized. Put the two bags inside the gallon size bag and fill the bag with ice, then sprinkle salt on top. Again let all the air escape and seal the bag. Wrap the bag in the towel or put your gloves on, and shake and massage the bag, making sure the ice surrounds the cream mixture. Five to eight minutes is adequate time for the mixture to freeze into ice cream.

### **Tips**

Freezer bags work best because they are thicker and less likely to develop small holes, allowing the bags to leak. You can get away with using regular Zip-loc bags for the smaller quart sizes, because you are double-bagging. Especially if you plan to do this indoors, we strongly recommend using gallon size freezer bags.

### **Coffee Can Ice Cream**

An alternative to the baggie method is to use coffee cans. The recipe is the same, and may be doubled or tripled because the coffee can can hold more liquid than the baggies. Put the mixture in a standard size coffee can and seal with the plastic lid, then place that can inside a larger "economy size" can (usually available from the teachers' lounge or office). Pack the large can with ice and salt, and seal with the lid. Students can roll the can back and forth on the ground (outside – the condensation will drip) until the ice cream is set. The time required to set the mixture will vary depending on the number of servings in the can.

### **What does the salt do?**

Just like we use salt on icy roads in the winter, salt mixed with ice in this case also causes the ice to melt. When salt comes into contact with ice, the freezing point of the ice is lowered. Water will normally freeze at 32 degrees F. A 10% salt solution freezes at 20 degrees F, and a 20% solution freezes at 2 degrees F. By lowering the temperature at which ice is frozen, we are able to create an environment in which the milk mixture can freeze at a temperature below 32 degrees F into ice cream.

### **Who invented ice cream?**

Legend has it that the Roman emperor, Nero, discovered ice cream. Runners brought snow from the mountains to make the first ice cream. In 1846, Nancy Johnson invented the hand-cranked ice cream churn and ice cream surged in popularity. Then, in 1904, ice cream cones were invented at the St. Louis World Exposition. An ice cream vendor ran out of dishes and improvised by rolling up some waffles to make cones.

Drawing with Don Conroy

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo4dO9D4okn25M6mvfB02rQ>

Cosmic Yoga Kids YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

Dublin Zoo Webcam of Animals

<https://www.dublinozoo.ie/animals/animal-webcams/>

## **Irish**

In school we use an interactive programme called Bua Na Cainte 1. The children interact with the conversations, songs, stories and play various games. This is available for you to download for free on a computer/laptop.

1. Go to [www.edco.ie/bua](http://www.edco.ie/bua)

2. Select the file which suits your computer either computer or Mac.

3. Select the class level you require, First Class which is Bua na Cainte 1 and click on it to start a download of the file.

4. Once the download has completed, click on the file to install and follow the on-screen instructions.

5. A Bua na Cainte icon will appear on your desktop. Once you select this icon a login page will open where you will need to enter the details included below. The login details can be used for all class versions.

6. Username: trial

Password: trial.

Prior to the Lockdown we were working on the theme *Sa Bhaile*. The children may enjoy revisiting the previous themes, singing the songs, listening to the stories and playing the games. It is no problem if the children want to explore the remaining themes, whatever they enjoy.



W

Write 5 words that describe you.

Have your mom or dad write about their favorite memory of 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

Write about the best field trip you went on.

Write down 10 things you can hear at home.

Write about your favorite animal.

R

Write 5 words that describe your mom or dad.

Write about the funniest thing that has ever happened to you.

Make a list of your favorite foods.

Write a thank you note to somebody.

Write a word with your finger on mom or dad's back and have them guess it.

I

Write about your favorite holiday.

Write a letter to the principal.



Write eight words in shaving cream.

Write 2 sentences about the weather. Check punctuation.

T

Make a list of all the things that are laying on your bedroom floor.

Write a journal entry in the dark with a flashlight.

Read a story by yourself. Write a brief summary about the story.

Have your mom or dad write 3 reasons they are proud of you.

Write a poem with mom or dad.

E

Write as many words you can think of that rhyme with "play".

Read a story to mom or dad. Have mom or dad write a brief summary about the book.

Write 3 questions you would like to ask the President of the United States.

Write as many words as you can think of that begin with "ch".

Write a story of your choice.