

WE ARE A CNS

Junior Classes



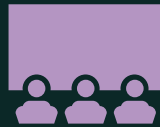
Approaches we use for We Are A CNS in the Junior Classes



Stories/Videos



Puppets



Drama



Think/Pair/Share



Art

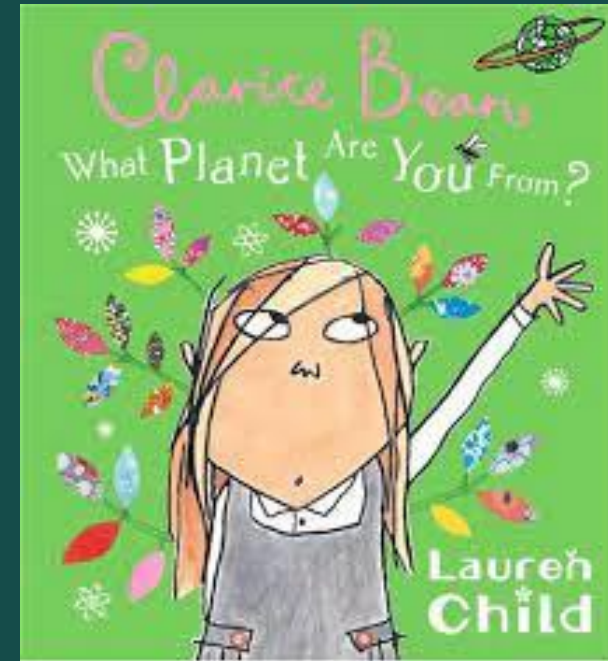
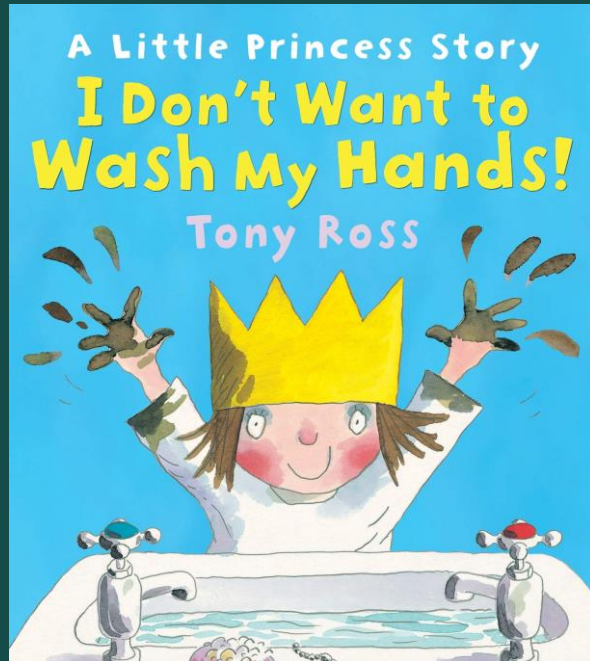


Use of Storybooks

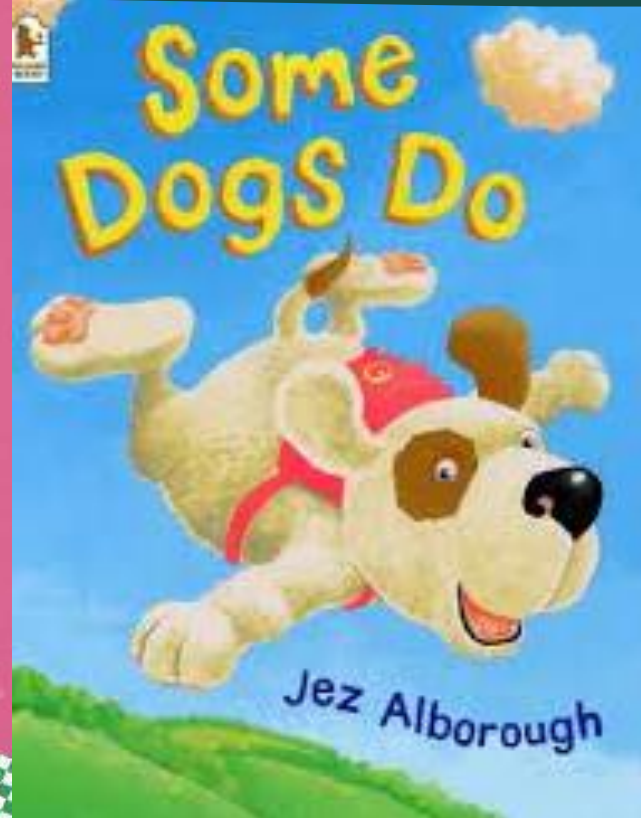
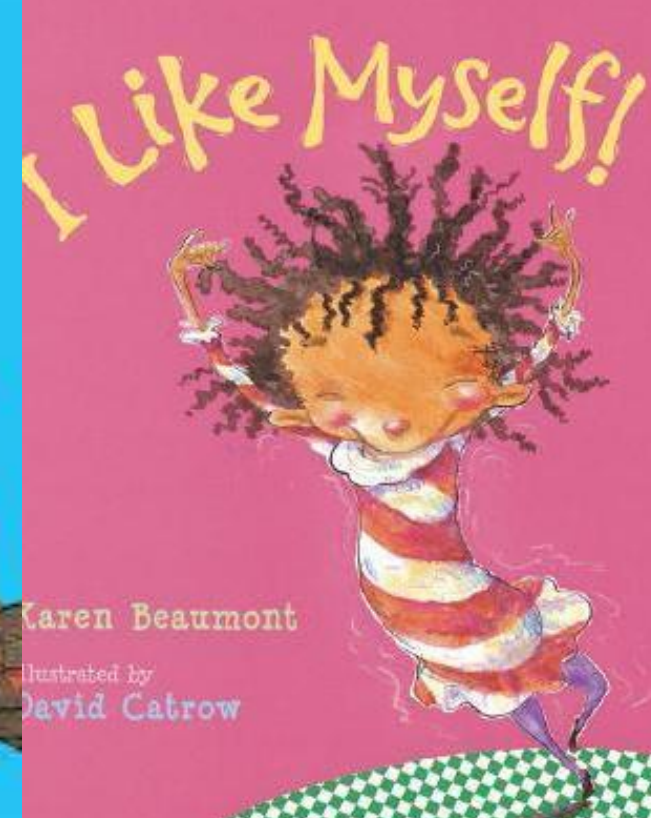
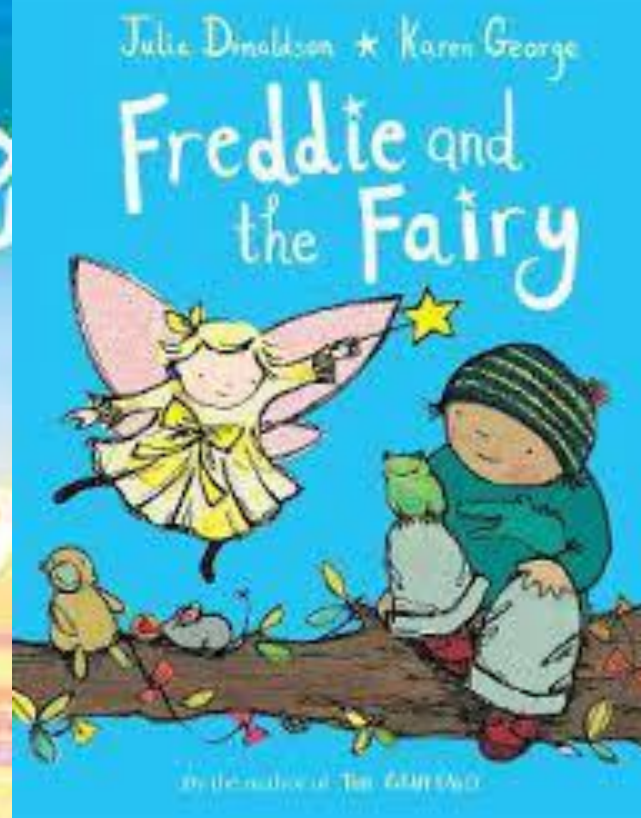
We all know the importance of storybooks in the Junior classes. Using picture books allows children to explore themes and ideas on a level more suitable for their age. In Naas CNS we use a picture book as the basis of our We Are A CNS lessons, exploring them through elements of critical thinking and book talk lessons and integrating them with drama, art and SPHE.

I would like to share a few books I have used this year with great success.

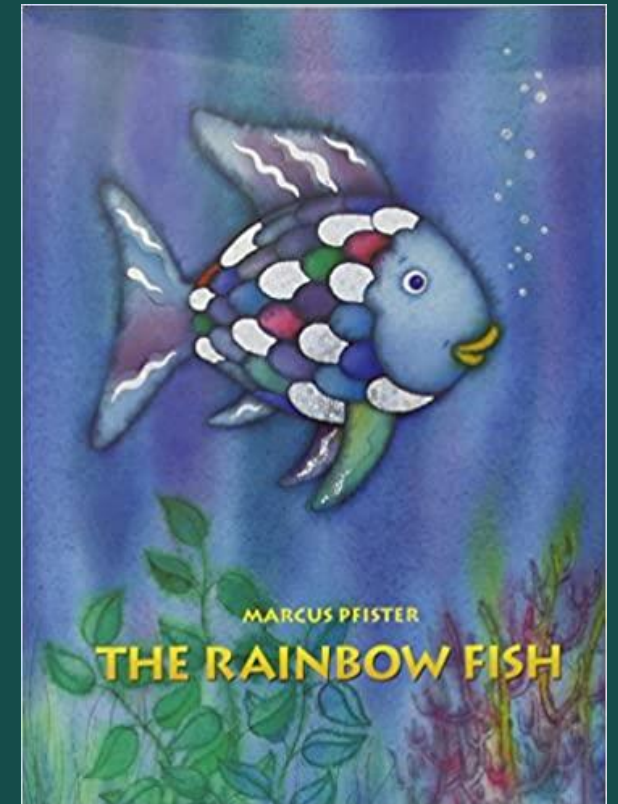
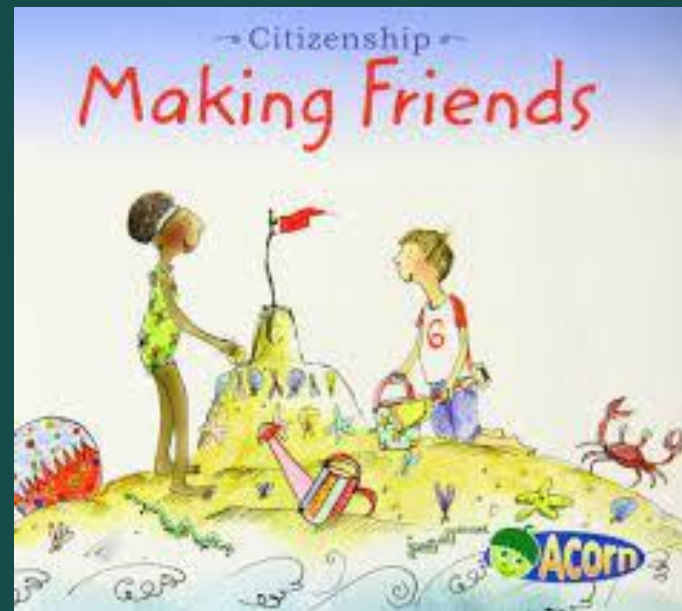
Values



Respect



Community and Citizenship



Puppets can create a story if a book can't be found.

- Óisín Owl taught us the importance of respecting nature and not littering due to the harm it might cause to the local animals.



Whole School Project: Respect and Values

At the beginning of the year we spend September exploring respect and each class creates a class charter. We expanded this last year and through a similar approach to the family project we as a school community (students, teachers, parents) explored the need for a school charter and created a simple charter for our school. As part of a whole school creative project we created a display for the halls. This approach will continue for similar projects each year.

