

Our Classroom Economy

6th Class 2019

What is Our Classroom Economy?

- Replace tickets with cashless system (better for environment)
- Group seating arrangement called 'Neighbourhoods'
- Earn salaries for jobs
- Earn bonuses for following our 'Standards of Behaviour'
- Incur fines for ignoring our 'Standards of Behaviour'
- Promoting 'Global Citizenship'
- Spend money on excellent purchases
- Enter end of month 'Auction Extravaganza' and compete against other neighbourhoods for massive prizes
- Paying rent and buying Neighbourhoods

What does Cashless mean?

- Tickets replaced by banking system
- Bank book
- Each table manages own banking affairs. Barry will sign off on all changes and make unannounced audits
- Each table has a banker who earns a wage which goes towards neighbourhoods shared savings
- Convert your tickets into savings now!

What is a Neighbourhood?

- Table of four people working together
- What is your neighbourhood called?
- Promotes inclusivity
- Reduces exclusivity
- Neighbourhood residents eat together

What is a salary?

- Earn Euros for doing important jobs in the school
- What jobs?
 - Clean the fishtank and feed the fish
 - Tidy PE storeroom
 - Tidy classroom storage areas
 - Tidy science and gaeilge storeroom
 - Manage laptop and iPad trolley
 - Collect and distribute books and copies
 - Tidy sink area
 - Wipe whiteboard
 - Printing and photocopying
 - Going on messages around the school
 - Can you suggest other jobs?

How to apply for jobs?

- Each neighbourhood has at least two jobs. One of them is the banker. All jobs can be shared amongst all residents of neighbourhood or assigned to one or two. All earnings are banked together
- How do we apply for jobs? Write letter of application to Ger or Barry
- No job no salary
- Salary paid at end of month before rent is due and big auction extravaganza

What is a bonus?

- Follow our standards of behaviour to earn bonuses for good behaviour
- For quietly listening to others in class
- For being kind, courteous and respectful to others and including them
- For playing safely and moving around the school safely
- For working together as a team on projects and problems
- For helping your teammates with the standards of behaviour
- For making an effort in class discussion and participation (being a risk taker!)
- For keeping your neighbourhood tidy
- For winning at Kahoot!
- Barry, Ger or Francisca will tell you when you have earned a bonus but it is up to each neighbourhood banker to add bonus to savings into bank book
- Barry will sign off on bank book and do regular spot checks

What is a fine?

- Ignore our Standards of Behaviour to incur fines
- For not listening to others in class and repeatedly disrupting lessons
- For playing roughly or moving around the school in an unsafe way
- For not being kind or courteous to others, disrespectful to staff
- For not being prepared for lessons and not paying attention - procrastinating!
- For leaving your neighbourhood in an untidy state or wandering around
- For poor handwriting, untidy copies, books, school bags
- For repeatedly leaving copies and books at home
- For not being safe on class trips
- Barry, Ger and Francisca will let you know when you have incurred a fine
- Barry will do regular spot checks. Repeated failure to subtract fines will result in double or even triple fines or maybe worse!

What is Global Citizenship?

- Perform an act of kindness to a family member, friend or neighbour
 - Mow your neighbours lawn
 - Help an elderly neighbour with chores
 - Walk your neighbour's dog
 - Tidy up rubbish in your neighborhood or local playground
 - Do extra chores at home
 - What else could you do?
- Get your parent/guardian to write a short note to Barry confirming your act of kindness to earn a bonus
- Get them to send Barry a photo of the act of kindness for an even greater bonus

What are excellent purchases?

- Play a boardgame for 20 mins outside classroom
- Play basketball in yard or go for a walk outside for 20 mins
- Read novel outside classroom for 20 mins
- Play on laptops for 20 mins
- Suggest something to Barry
- All purchases must be agreed by all neighbourhood residents and cannot include residents from other neighbourhoods

What is the Auction Extravaganza?

- End of every month after salaries have been paid and rent is due there is an Auction Extravaganza!
- Bid for huge prizes like
 - Go to Westside library and coffee shop for hot choc and treat: two hours
 - Go to Westside playground and coffee shop for hot choc and treat: two hours
 - Go rockpooling in Salthill and coffee shop for hot choc and treat: two hours
 - Go swimming in Blackrock and coffee shop for hot choc and treat: two hours
 - Go to Christmas Market and hot choc and treat: two hours
 - No homework for the week
 - Two hours playtime, laptop, boardgames, reading or combo
 - Popcorn, treats and movie.
 - Suggest something to Barry
- All auction bids must be agreed by all residents. Cannot include residents from other neighbourhoods

What is paying rent and buying properties?

- Every neighbourhood has to pay rent at the end of each month
- Buy your neighborhood outright by paying 2 times the monthly rent upfront instead!
- Buy other neighbourhoods and become a landlord!
- Good financial management. Rent must be paid before participation in auction extravaganza

How much?

- Rent: 1800 euro a month per neighbourhood
- Salaries: 1000 euro per job
- Bonuses: From 50 to 200 euro
- Fines: From 50 euro to 500 euro depending on the seriousness of the misbehaviour
- Purchases: 200 euro
- Purchase of property: 2 times monthly rent

Questions?

- What if someone is not getting 'into the spirit of it' and making it very difficult for other residents?
- Any other questions?