

## Ballybrown NS, Co. Limerick - Active PLAYGROUND Initiatives

### Music on the yard

Each Thursday contemporary music, with a fun tempo, is played onto both the senior and the infant yards. We found the music on the yard greatly added to the children's activity and enjoyment of lunch time. While having it only one day a week, ensures children see it as a treat and do not become bored of it.



## Bird posters

Earlier this year in Ballybrown NS, we erected bird posters with pictures and labels of a variety of local birds found in the locality on both of our yards. Children who prefer less physical games have become much more active and watch and follow particular birds as well as searching the yard for particular birds.



## Game of the month

Every month we teach all children the game of the month. These are games that are suitable for all children. For May we chose the game 'Magic Letters'. It was great for children who didn't enjoy the usual games played on the yard. With all classes knowing the rules of the games, it allowed for all children to play with each other.