

**1st & 2nd Class
Music**



Ask An Adult

Ask your parent or guardian what songs they used to sing when they were young and write down the words here so you can learn them. Send us your song or recording, if you'd like!



Traditional Talent Show

Using Múinteoir Ray's traditional song 'Rattlin' Bog', why not organise a talent show in your home and get everyone singing? Here are the words to the song, and feel free to make up some actions with the words too!



Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh
Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh.

In that bog there was a tree a rare tree and a rattlin' tree
The tree in the bog and the bog down in the valley oh.



Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh
Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh.

On that tree there was a branch a rare branch, a rattlin' branch

The branch on the tree and the tree in the bog and the bog down in the valley oh.

Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh
Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh



On that branch there was a twig, a rare twig, a rattlin' twig
The twig on the branch and the branch on the tree and the tree down in the valley oh.

Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh
Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh

On that twig there was a nest, a rare nest, a rattlin' nest
The nest on the twig and the twig on the branch and the branch on the tree and the tree down in the valley oh.

Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh
Óró the rattlin' bog the bog down in the valley oh

Continue on like that, adding an egg in the nest then a bird on the egg then a feather on the bird, then a flea on the feather!! You'll find that remembering all the items in the tree in the bog, can be quite tricky!



Potato Cakes

In the past in Ireland, people gathered together in each other's houses, and shared songs, stories and poems with each other. They didn't have televisions, this was their entertainment. They'd also share food at these gatherings, and potato cakes were very popular!

Here's a recipe for yummy potato cakes. Make sure to get an adult to help you!

The recipe can also be found here:

<https://www.rte.ie/lifestyle/recipes/2011/0929/747000-irish-potato-cakes/>



Ingredients - 450g cooked potatoes, 25g butter (melted), 3 tbsp flour, 1 tsp salt, 40 g butter (for frying).

How to make -

- 01** Mash the potatoes until smooth.
- 02** Add the melted butter and stir in the flour, salt and pepper.
- 03** Put the mixture on a floured surface and press it out with your hands until it is a circle about half an inch thick.
- 04** Using a pastry cutter (or the rim of a glass) cut the mixture into rounds, about 3 inches wide.
- 05** Ask your parent or guardian to melt the butter in a large saucepan over a moderate heat and fry the potato cakes for about 3 minutes on each side, or until they are golden.
- 06** Lift them out with a spatula and drain on kitchen paper.
- 07** Pile them up on a warm serving plate – they won't last long!