



Rinne Rang 3 agus 4 staidéar ar an bhFearnóg (the *Alder*)
atá ag fás i Scoil Raifteirí

Meán Fómhair:



Bhí an aimsir go hálainn
Rinneamar pictiúir den chrann



Seo an choirt gharbh ar an stoc.
The bark of the trunk is rough and fissured



Seo na buaircíní. Beireann siad na síolta
The Alder is unique as a deciduous tree which bears cones
Tá na buaircíní fós glas agus cruá



Seo na caitíní

Is iad seo an chuid fhireann (male part) den chrann

Tá siad fada agus glas

The catkins are starting to turn purple and are still hard



Seo an duilleog

Tá sí mór, ciorclach, fós den ghlas doimhin, agus le faobhar garbh.

They are large, round, have a rough edge, and have a point or a notch at the tip

Deireadh Fómhair:



Tá duilleoga fós ar an gcrann

The leaves survive until November



Tá roinnt acu ag éirí corcra



Tá na caitíní ag éirí corcra freisin



An Geimhreadh:



Ceo, drúcht agus cá bhfuil na duilleoga?
Foggy dew, but not a leaf in sight.



An duilleog deireannach: the last leaf

An bhfeiceann tú na bachlóga?



Buaircíní agus caitíní corcra



Nach mór an t-athrú!

Look back at the pictures from September

An tEarrach:



Ag gléasadh suas do Sheachtain na Gaeilge



Féach ar na caitíní anois!

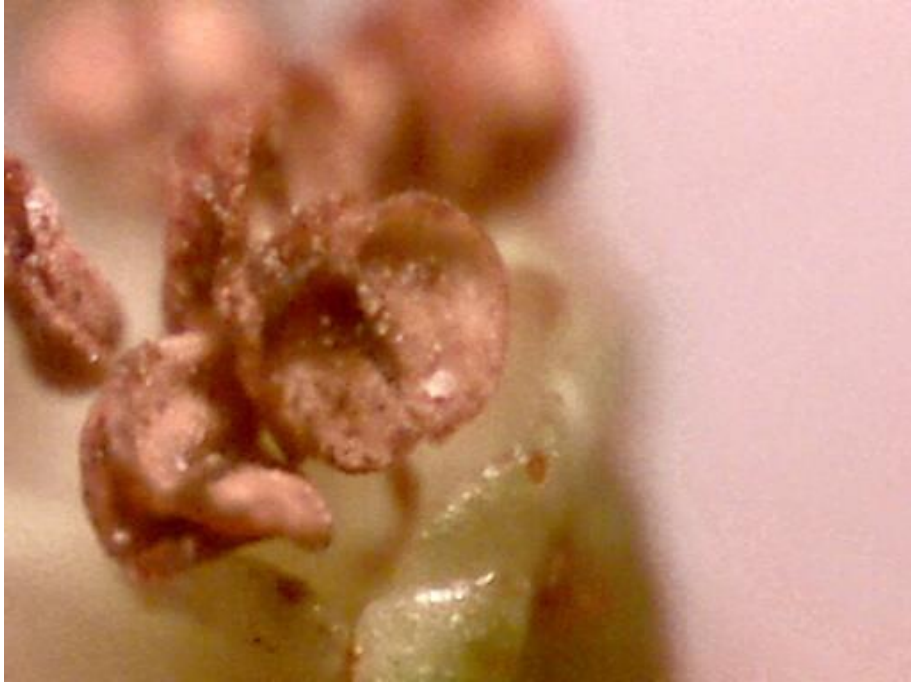


They open out in the spring and release pollen

Tá antair (*anthers*) bheaga corcra orthu



Seo na hantair bheaga faoin micreascóip (x10)...



...agus x60: feiceann tú an pailín



The cones open up to receive pollen



Seo an buaircín faoin micreascóip



Seo an bhachlóg

This bud will soon sprout leaves



This is what the bud looks like when enlarged x60

Aibreán:



Duilleoga faoi dheireadh!

*Look at the brown bracts at the base of the new leaves,
which protected them when the buds were closed*



Seo na caitíní deireannacha

The other catkins have dried up and fallen by now

An Samhradh:



Seo an samhradh

Laethanta saoire amárach!



Féach ar na buaircíní glasa



