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School Tours

Please make note of the following dates for your child's school tour. The class teachers will be in touch with further details in the coming weeks. We endeavor at all times to keep costs as low as possible.

May 22nd - 1st Class (Playtown, Tullamore)

May 28th - Junior Infants & Senior Infants (Lullymore, Kildare)

June 16th - 2nd Class (Clara Lara Funpark, Wicklow)

June 17th - 6th Class (Clara Lara Funpark, Wicklow)

June 18th - 3rd, 4th & 5th Class (Aquazone & Jumpzone, Dublin)

Uniforms & Warmer Weather

With the warmer weather, we'd like to remind you of the following;

- Please wear school appropriate shorts only. Tight fitting and 'short shorts' are not school appropriate. Please find a picture attached of what we deem appropriate. Shorts should be navy in colour also.
- Please apply sun cream before coming to school.
- It is good practice to bring a wide-brimmed hat to school on hotter days. This will give greater protection from the sun.
- Make sure your child brings a reasonably sized bottle of water to school each day to stay hydrated.

We are fortunate to have lots of green space, play areas and an outside classroom. Therefore, children will be exposed to the elements at times.



Gaeilge

Bealtaine (May)

Seachtain 1 – Cad a cloiseann tú? Cloisim... (what do you hear? / I hear....)

Seachtain 2 – An rachidh tú..? Raichaidh mé (will you go..? / I will go ...)

Seachtain 3 – An dtuigeann tú..? tuigim.. ní thuigim (do you understand? I understand... / I don't understand..)

Seachtain 4 – Tiocfaidh mé... (I will come...)

Sport / New Jerseys

Hurling / Camogie: Our school hurling and camogie teams have been competing in their respective Cumann na mBunscol competitions in recent weeks. Our Boys A team have a playoff game next week to determine if they qualify for the final or not. Go n-éirí an t-ádh leo.

Football: In-school and after-school football coaching with Courtwood GAA has been a great success in recent months. The final sessions took place before the Easter break. Many thanks to Tom, Matthew and all the volunteer coaches from the club for their time and effort. It is greatly appreciated. We encourage all the boys and girls to play with their clubs over the summer months (St. Paul's for boys and St. Conleth's for girls). Lunchtime football leagues for boys and girls in 1st Class - 6th Class will commence in the coming weeks.

Rounders: Ms. Phelan has commenced rounders training with pupils in our senior classes.

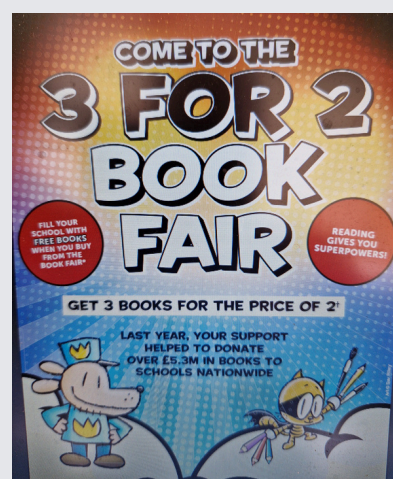
Jerseys: We were fortunate to receive a new set of school jerseys recently from FORSA (trade union). We're grateful for their support and let's hope the new jerseys help bring some good fortune in the years to come. Pictured below are some of our 6th Class pupils at a recent volleyball competition sporting the new jerseys.



Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair will take place on May 15th and 16th. Children will be brought over by staff during class time. Younger children will be brought by mentors or older siblings. The usual 3 for 2 offer is available again this year. We appreciate your support as 60% of the money raised will be returned to the school in the form of books for the classrooms and school library. Thank you once again to Ms. Bergin for organising our book fair.

Please contact the school office if you have any questions.



Our New Walking / Running Track

Over the Easter holidays, Denis Gleeson with the help of past-pupil Aaron, completed our new walking / running track. The 500m track is a fantastic new addition to our school facilities and it has been wonderful to see our pupils using it in recent days. For years to come it will help encourage and promote activity and exercise throughout the school.

We are very grateful to Denis and the Gleeson family for their generosity and time in helping to deliver this project.



Cycling to School / Cycle Safety Training

We encourage our pupils in senior classes to cycle to school if possible, and once they're mature and capable enough to do so. It is pleasing to see our bike shed get busier in recent weeks. However, please ensure the children are wearing a helmet and a high-vis vest at all times. The roads approaching the school can be quite busy at times and it goes without saying that care and necessary precautions should be taken at all times.

Ms O'Shea has organised cycle safety training for 5th Class pupils in the coming weeks. Further details will be provided by Ms O'Connell and Ms O'Shea.

Parents' Association Noticeboard

Church Gate Collection

Many thanks to all who supported, a total of €229.70 was raised..

Summer Raffle

We'll be launching details of our summer raffle in coming week, please keep an eye for details on our Facebook page.

First Communion

If anyone is available to assist with the reception on the morning of June 7th please contact any committee member or Fiona on 086 8339779.

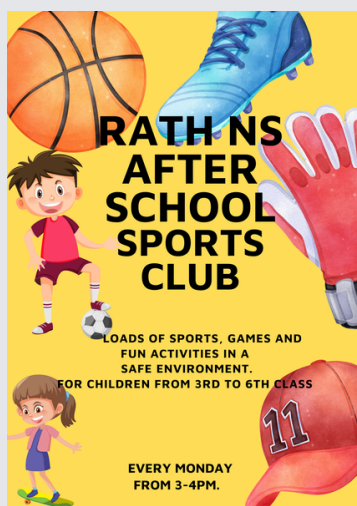
After-School Clubs Term 3

A new term of Chess Club will begin next Tuesday, May 6th for 6 weeks.

This term is open for students from 2nd class to 6th class.

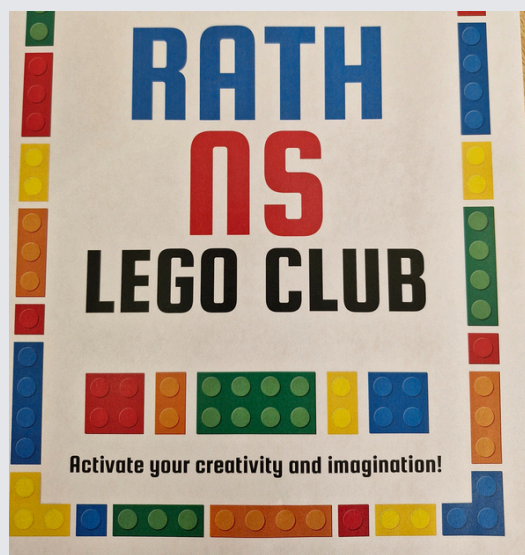
Please contact Ms. O'Connell for any further information.

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The after school sports club will run every Monday (Wednesday May 7th due to Bank Holiday). Lots of sports, games and activities from 3pm to 4pm for students from 3rd to 6th class. Please contact Mr Walsh (nwalsh@rathns.com) for further information.

This club is a great opportunity for your child to explore and develop their natural creativity through play, work as part of a team and enhance their STEM skills. It will run every Thursday between 3pm - 4pm. The club is open to children from 1st Class – 6th Class. For an application form, details about payment or any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact Mr. Delaney by email – kdelaney@rathns.com



Dates for Your Diary

May 14th & 15th - Book Fair

May 15th - Orienteering trip to Moore Abbey for Junior Infants, Senior Infants and 1st Class

May 19th - 12pm closure for staff in-service

May 22nd - School tour for 1st Class

May 28th - School tour for Junior and Senior Infants

May 30th - School Closed



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Pictured above are all the certificate recipients from our March & April Teacht le Chéile.