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Parent / Teacher Meetings

Parent / Teacher meetings will take place the week beginning November 27th for each class. Once again, parents will be given the option on Aladdin to book a phone call or a face-to-face meeting. Dates and time slots will issue next week. Parents who have already met with special education teachers to discuss individual plans don't need to book a slot, but this can be accommodated if necessary or requested.

Football

We had four football teams competing in their respective Cumann na mBunscol competitions in recent months. All four teams were very competitive and performed really well. Our Girls' A team won all their matches ensuring they qualify for the final. We don't have a fixture yet, but it is likely to take place the week beginning November 13th in O'Moore Park. We will inform you as soon as we become aware of the date and time.

Our lunchtime football leagues continue with boys and girls in 2nd - 6th Class. Well done to our 6th Class pupils for the excellent job they are doing refereeing the matches and setting up the pitches each day. Our finals will take place later this week.



School Closure

The school will close on **Monday November 27th** to facilitate teacher in-service for the new Primary Mathematics Curriculum.

Halloween Hike

Our annual Halloween Hike was held on October 27th. As always, it was a very enjoyable day. Well done to all the pupils, staff and parents for making such a great effort to dress up. Many thanks also to our Parents' Association for organising the refreshments and treats on the day, as well as helping to keep the roads and junctions safe for the children. We would also like to thank Seán and the Ward family for being such great hosts once again in The Fisherman's Inn. There are more photos to view on the school website.



Swimming

Swimming lessons in Portarlinton Leisure Centre commence this week for pupils in 2nd Class to 6th Class. There will be 5 weeks of lessons for each group. 5th & 6th Class are on Mondays and 2nd - 4th Class are on Wednesdays. Many thanks once again to our Parents' Association who will cover the cost of the bus each day. This results in a significant saving for parents.



Gaeilge

Mí na Samhna (November)

Seachtain 1 - Tá brón orm (I'm sorry) / Brón orm cur isteach ort (sorry to disturb you)

Seachtain 2 - Cad a tharla? (what happened?)

Seachtain 3 - An bhfuil cead agam...? (Can I...?)

Seachtain 4 - Gabh mo leithscéal (excuse me)

Ceist coicíse: Conas atá an aimsir inniú? (how is the weather today?)

Cá bhfuil tú i do chónaí? (where do you live?)

Maths Week

We celebrated Maths Week in the school recently. The school was a hive of activity all week as each class engaged in fun and imaginative Maths activities to celebrate Maths Week 2023. Many thanks to Ms Conroy in particular for organising the week's activities.



Parents' Association Noticeboard

The AGM took place on Monday 16th October. The following parents were elected.

Chairperson – Fiona Kelly
Secretary – Deirdre O' Grady,
Treasurer – Orla Fee
Vice -Treasurer – Deidre Bell
PRO – Elaine Brick

Please see our Facebook page “Rath NS Parents Council (2023/2024)” for further information. You can also contact us on chair.p.c.rathns@gmail.com or sec.p.crathns@gmail.com Many thanks to the efforts of the outgoing committee. Best of luck also to the parents nominees recently elected to the Board of Management; Aine O 'Connell and Vincent O'Connell.

Halloween Hike

The annual Halloween hike took place on October 27th. It was great to see so many fabulous costumes from both staff and students, thanks in no parts to those who got them out on the morning. Thanks to Sean and the Fisherman's Inn for hosting us on the morning, a stop which is enjoyed by all. A massive thanks to the parents and guardians who helped out on the day. Finally, many thanks to all who supported the event do generously, to date we've raised €3300.

Split the Pot

This year we will run Split the Pot for five weeks. The first draw will take place on Wednesday 22nd of November. The children will bring home envelopes next week. The money raised will go towards supporting sporting activities in the school and subsidising bus costs. We are grateful for all your support.

Next meeting

Our next meeting will take place on Monday November 16th at 8:30 pm in the school. Your attendance is always welcome and appreciated.