



## June Newsletter 2022

We have had a very busy end to our school year. Here is some of the news from June.

**School Tours** - All classes made brilliant memories on their school tours to Playtown, Turoe Pet Farm and Zipit Forest Adventures. All pupils represented the school so well and had great days with their friends.

**Junior Entrepreneur Programme** – Well done to all involved in Ms. Moran’s room on their work in business this year. The class JEP Project ‘Tie Dye for Life’ received a **Creative Pioneers Merit Award** certificate in the post this week.



**Cricket** – The boys and girls from 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class enjoyed a day’s cricket at the cricket pitch in Doon with coach Bernard. There were great batting and bowling skills on show.

**Ballinahown** – Ms. Moran’s 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class group went to Ballinahown’s new

Astroturf to play a friendly soccer match with Ballinahown NS this month. They cooled down with an ice-cream cone after.



**Sports Day** – Well done to all the boys and girls for the great skills and teamwork on show. The activities were great fun and it was lovely to see everyone enjoying Zumba dancing with Agnes. The ice-cream van was a great surprise in the afternoon also!



**Lough Boora** – 6<sup>th</sup> class enjoyed a day in the parklands. They cycled around the different routes and saw many of the sculptures. It was a lovely day to spend

together as a group before leaving Rashina.

**STEM Fun** – Ms Mollen’s and Ms. Farrell’s classes teamed up to complete fun STEM (Science, technology, engineering and maths) challenges this week. It was great to see the children work together and develop their skills in a fun way.

**Gardaí Visit** - Garda Grace and her colleague visited school this week and talked to the younger classes about road safety and keeping safe this summer. They also discussed internet safety and cyberbullying with the senior room.

**School Soccer and Gaelic Leagues** – Well done to all the boys and girls from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class who participated in the leagues over the last few weeks. The names of both winning captains were engraved on the shields and we are already looking forward to next year’s competitions.

**School Reports** – All school reports were sent home last week. Well done to all pupils on their hard work this year.

**First Class 2022/23** – First class will be split next year. Half the children will remain in the Junior Room with Junior/Senior Infants and the other half will move to the middle room with 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> class. This decision was made to ensure the best possible pupil- teacher ratio in our school, which will benefit all children from Junior Infants to Third Class.

**Infant Induction Day** – We welcomed the Junior Infants class of 2022/23 for a half day on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June. It gave the boys and girls a chance to meet their new classmates and see the school. They all settled in really well and we are looking forward to them starting next year.

**Anti-Bullying Policy** – This policy was ratified at the Board of Management meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> June. Thanks to all parents for taking time to read the draft policy and offer feedback.

**Graduation Mass** – Thanks to Fr. Brendan for saying a lovely Graduation Mass in school. The 6<sup>th</sup> class children did such a great job and there were lots of proud families in attendance. Ms. Moran and Mary put in huge work to make the day special for the 6<sup>th</sup> class pupils. It was a very fitting way to acknowledge and celebrate all the children’s contributions over the past 8 years.

**2022/23 School Year** – Booklists and school calendar for next year were sent home to all classes this week. School reopens for all pupils at **9am on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August.**

**Good Luck!** – A big thank you to Ms. Farrell for everything during her time in Rashina. Wishing her the very best of luck in her new school in September.

*As the school year comes to a close, the staff and Board of Management would like to thank all families for their great support during the school year. This is greatly appreciated and is a huge help with running our school on a day-to-day basis. We wish all our pupils and their families a lovely summer.*

