

Opening Times: 9.00 am - 1.40pm for infant classes and at 8.50am.

2.40pm for all other classes. Supervision begins

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank the school community for the welcome I have received since November 2<sup>nd</sup>. I look forward to meeting you all in the months ahead. I hope to continue and build on the great work Mrs. Hennessy has carried out over the years and wish her a healthy and happy retirement. It has been a busy month in our school. Lots of work is taking place both inside and outside the classroom. The staff would like to thank you all for your continued support and cooperation. Thanks, L. Guinan.

**Science Week** - Lots of interesting experiments were completed both in school and at home during Science Week. All classes enjoyed predicting and investigating the outcomes of all the experiments. Well done to the Rashina NS scientists!



**Parent Teacher Meetings** - Thanks to all the parents for taking time to discuss their children's progress over the phone. Meetings are ongoing and will be completed in the coming weeks.

**Aistear** - Junior and Senior Infants are really enjoying their new furniture for their outdoor play.

**After School Club** - The boys and girls from Junior and Senior Infants who stay in school for the hour between 1.40pm and 2.40pm are having great fun with Louise.

**Athletics** - Offaly Sports Partnership coach Adrian Clancy continues to visit us each Friday afternoon. Classes from 1st to 6th are enjoying athletics on the AstroTurf!

**Clothes Collection** - Thanks to all our families and the local community for donating over 200 bags of clothes on November 19th. We will know our total amount raised soon and let you know. All funds raised will be used for our school.

**Planting Spring Bulbs** - Junior and Senior Infants were busy planting daffodils in pots earlier this month and some green shoots have already appeared in the mild weather! 3rd to 6th class pupils, with the help of Mary, also planted lots of daffodil bulbs in the planter that was very kindly gifted to the school by the 6th Class of 2020! We're looking forward to our garden being in full bloom in springtime.



**County Photos** - The photographer's original visit planned for October has been rescheduled for January 19th 2021. All County Photos will work in full compliance with the Covid-19 guidelines. A reminder will be provided closer to the time.

**Christmas 2020** - In the absence of school concerts this year, each class will learn a dance or a poem and share with families on the school website. The pupils are having fun practising!

**Christmas Annuals** - They have been ordered and will be with us soon! The annuals will cost €2 per child.

**Closing Time December 22nd** - School will close for all pupils at **12pm** on December 22<sup>nd</sup>.