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## September Newsletter

The Board of Management and staff were delighted to welcome all the boys and girls back to Rashina NS on Tuesday, August 31st with a special mention to the pupils who started in Junior Infants. We would like to thank all families for following public health advice with regards to Covid-19 and for helping keep our school as safe as possible for all.

· The Junior Infants have settled very well into our school in Ms. Farrell's classroom. They all looked very well on the front cover of the Offaly Independent earlier this month!



· Well done to all the pupils in 3rd class who made their First Holy Communion on Sunday, September 5th. They prepared so well with Ms. Lawlor and Ms. Mollen. A memorable day for all the boys and girls and their families. They had lovely buns to celebrate...



- **County Photos** visited our school this month. They are returning to the school on Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup> to retake group photos of Junior Infants, Senior Infants and 6<sup>th</sup> class. They will also take individual/ family photos of those who missed the first visit. Proofs will be sent home shortly giving families different options to buy if they wish.

· School uniforms are looking very well this school year. Pupils are reminded to wear full uniform except for school tracksuit on PE/ football days.

· A big thank you to all families who have paid the Book Rental/ Art & Crafts. Any outstanding money can be paid through the online banking or sent in with your child to the office.

- Thanks also to the families who donated toys and resources to the school over the past few weeks.

- **Gaelic Football** for pupils from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> with Mr. Guinan is going well. It's great to see so many children participating and improving their skills. Football will take place each Wednesday during school.

- **Rugby coach** Padraig Malone started in the school on Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. He will visit both Ms. Mollen's and Ms. Moran's classes every second Thursday.

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· School will close at **12.30pm on Wednesday, October 13th** for all pupils. The staff will be participating in training based on the New Primary Language Curriculum in the afternoon.

· The road outside the school is busy, especially at home times. Thanks again to all parents for being extra vigilant at these times and ensuring the safety of all.

· After School Club for the infant classes with Louise is going very well. The boys and girls enjoy playing games with their friends.

Ms Mollen, Ms Grehan, Mary and the children from 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> class went on a short nature walk great fun was had by all. The boys and girls were very safe in their Hi-Vis vests.

School will close for midterm break on **Friday, October 22nd** and reopen on **Monday, November 1st**.

