**Robertstown News Sheet Easter 2009**

**Visitors to the School**

Roisin Dowd Mahony’s Dad Brian, will be visiting Ms. Poole’s class for Question Time/Interview for his job as a referee for the FAI. As well as giving a talk on football etiquette, he will referee a class match.

Our school caretaker John McNamee came into the school to tell us what school life was like in the 1950s and the children found his talk very interesting.

We would just like to take this opportunity to thank all these visitors to our school since September.

**Confirmation**

The Confirmation was held on Friday, 27th March 2009 in Allenwood Church. Well done to all Sixth class on receiving their Confirmation. The choir members also did the school proud.

**First Confession**

Second class received their first Confession recently. We look forward to seeing them receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday, 17th May 2009 in Allen Church.

**Tracksuit/Uniform**

Lisa at Sports & Leisure 4 U in Clane is taking orders for school tracksuits, polo Tshirts, crested jumpers and jackets also available. More information is available on notice board outside the school and on school website, [www.robertstownns.ie](http://www.robertstownns.ie)

**Sports**

*Soccer:*

Students from 5th and 6th classes took part in the FAI schools 5-A-Side Soccer Tournament in Newbridge on Wednesday , 25th March. All played very well and the boys from 6th class were excellent. They won all their matches and are now through to the county finals, which will take place on Wednesday, 1st April 2009. We wish them all the best in their matches.

*Hurling:*

Thanks to Mr. Brouder with help from Noel Casey, the hurling is going very well. We had our 1st match against Kilcock on 19th and as it was the children’s first match they did fantastically well and put in a great performance. Hurling will resume after the Easter Holidays and newcomers are more than welcome. Anyone interested just ask Mr. Brouder.

*Basketball:*

Basketball is ongoing with Louise McDonald and this will be resuming for 4th to 6th classes after the Easter Holidays. Training will run concurrently with the swimming schedule. Many thanks to Louise for all her help.

*Cross Country:*

The cross county training has been ongoing with Ms. Stynes. We wish those running the best of luck!!

**Playball**

Playball has now finished for the year and all the children from Junior Infants to Second class thoroughly enjoyed it. Playball will resume at some stage next year.

**Swimming**

Swimming will resume after the Easter Holidays for those in Second and Third classes. These sessions are from 1 – 2 pm in the new pool in Naas and the cost for the six sessions will be €60 per child. Please pay in advance before Wednesday.

### Parents Association

### The Parents Association held a Coffee Morning on the 16th February 2009. We was a successful and enjoyable morning.

They also had pancakes for Shrove Tuesday on 24th February 2009. Many pancakes were eaten on that morning in the school. A thank you to all who supported this fund raiser.

**FIS**

5th and 6th classes are involved in the FIS Project. They are creating and editing their own short film, so watch out Stephen Speilburg!!

**Active Week**

The school is running an Active Week from 27th April to Friday 1st May. If you think you have any special talents, please contact the office.

# Green Schools

The Green Schools Committee have received their renewed first green flag. This was presented to them at a ceremony on Wednesday, 4th of March 2009 in Croke Park. At the moment we are all working on water conservation and we will be applying for a third green flag in September . A big congratulations to all those on the green schools committee for all their dedication and hard work.

*Recycling Poster/Poem Comp:*

Congratulation to the following winners of the competition.

Ms. O’Grady – Lucy O’Brien

Ms. Whelan – Evan Swords

Mr. Murphy – Lauren O’Toole

Mr. Brouder – Ailbhe Keatley

Ms. Stynes – Alannah Reville

Ms. Poole – Katie Murphy

Mr. Flanagan – Zoe Fitzgerald

There was a great response for the competition.

**School Website**

The school website is up and running. Be sure to check it out for news, updates and activities in the school. It gives lots of good educational websites that you might want to dip into for extra fun learning! [www.robertstownns.ie](http://www.robertstownns.ie)

#### **Parent/Teacher Meetings**

#### The Parent/Teacher meetings were held on Thursday, 12th February 2009. Thank you to all the parents.

**Kits For Kids**

The school now have a new set of football gear thanks to all those who sent in the Kits For Kids Tokens.

**Supervalu**

We now are awaiting new P.E. equipment to be delivered to the school. Thank you to everyone who collected tokens.

**Tesco Tokens**

The Tesco tokens “Computers For Schools” are still being collected and we hope to collect enough for more resources for all the classes.

