# Newsheet 2009

## Robertstown National School

**Mass**

Start of school year Mass will take place in the school hall on Wednesday, 7th October at 9.30am. Everybody is welcome.

**Staff Meeting**

The next staff meeting is on Wednesday, 7th October. Junior and Senior Infants finish at 1.15pm and 1st – 6th classes finish at 1.30pm. Please be on time to collect your child/children.

**Uniform**

Please note that shoes not runners are to be worn with uniform.

**Activities**

Irish Dancing

There is Irish Dancing for Junior and Senior Infants every Wednesday in the school. Please send in €2 each week to cover the cost.

*Drama*

There is Drama for 4th, 5th and 6th classes also on Wednesday. Please send in €2 each week to cover the cost.

A drama specialist will be organising classes after school in the hall. Details will be available shortly.

# *Hallelujah Concert*

The school choir has gotten off to a flying start, we are busy rehearsing twice a week for the biggest choir event of the year. We are hitting the big time in the RDS Simmonscourt on the 12th of December where the choir will be taking part in the Hallelujah concert. This promises to be a spectacular show with celebratory guests, hip hop dancing, amazing lighting effects and of course the main attraction, the children singing.

# *French*

The school is taking part in a new modern language initiative where the children have the opportunity to learn a European language. Miss O’ Sullivan will be teaching 5th class French twice a week. So get ready to parle francais!!!!

*Village Signs*

The school has received a grant to create Village Signs for the approaching roads to Robertstown. The children are busy practising the skill of Mosaic making and we hope to have the project completed by the end of January. Children’s mosaic work will be on sale in early December, proceeds will go towards the building fund.

###### Allergies/Medical Update

If your child has developed any new allergies or new medical condition, please send any information into the school as soon as possible. Each classroom is provided with this information, in case of an emergency.

Green School

After elections the new committee has been formed: Katie Murphy, Aaron Hanafey, Nicole Mulvaney, Sadhbh donoghue, Kirstin McKenna, Kelsey Stedman.

*Thomas Carolan (Green Schools Officer)* came to visit on Wednesday, 23rd October. He was great help and spoke to the committee about our new Green Schools theme which is “water”.

**Steps to Engineering**

4th, 5th & 6th classes are going to NUI Maynooth for Science Week on Wednesday, 14th October during school hours. €5 per child to cover the cost of the bus.

###### Enable Ireland

Our non uniform day held on Thursday, 1st October raised €257.20. Thank you.

**Update Parent Information**

Please fill out and sign form to update your email, mobile and network information.

Sports

###### Basketball

Runners to be brought into school for basketball practice. Training ongoing for 5th & 6th class for boys and girls during school hours.

Matches

2/11/09 Clogherinkoe

9/11/09 Rathcoffey

16/11/09 Killashee

23/11/09 Allen

30/11/09 Tirmoghan

**Enterprise Project**

A group of 5 & 6 class students will be involved in planning, filming and editing and marketing a short film for Enterprise Project and FIS Project.

**Read-A-Thon**

The Read-A-Thon will be held from 19th October to 16th November. Funds will go towards the building project. We are asking every child in the school to make a big effort to read as many books as possible during this time.

**Christmas Concert**

We are planning to hold a concert in early December. The Board of Management have agreed to use this event to help fundraise for the new extension.

Cost will be €5 per adult, €3 per child under 14 years of age. Numbers will be limited to ensure safety. Details will be sent before the mid-term.

**New Extension**

The school has been granted a new classroom and a resource room. Building will take place shortly. All access to back of school will be prohibited in order to ensure safety of children during building works. We would like to thank all parents who have paid the €50 contribution which will be put towards the surplus cost of the extension. Parent wishing to pay the €50 should leave it in an envelope labelled “Board of Management Contribution” in to the school.

**Communion Monthly Mass**

Dates are wrong on the Leader Book. 17th October (Mission Sunday), 12th December, please note these changes.

**Youth Mass**

There is a Youth Mass every month. 5th and 6th class are welcome to join the choir.

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