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Robertstown National School

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Welcome back after midterm break. I know it was a change from the normal this Halloween but I hope you got to enjoy some family fun at home. Thank you for all your support this school year. We have asked a lot of all parents and children. The risks have been identified in our Covid-19 risk assessment compiled in August. We have also outlined the measures in place within the school to combat these risks. These measures are in place to maintain a safe school environment for all children and adults attending and working in the school. We are very happy that these measures are helping to keep Robertstown NS a safe place to study and work. We ask all members of our school community to continue to support the measures in place so that we can safely keep school open for the next half term until Christmas.

Please remember the following:

- Please ensure your child is on time for school (8.40-8.55am) so that they may enter through the correct gate/door. Class contact time starts at 8.55am
- Parents are asked to drop their children and leave the school area to keep this area free of congestion. Please do not congregate at the front of the school or block the footpath. The two evening dispersal times are in place to eliminate congestion at the front of the school. All parents are asked to drop and go and collect and go. All adults asked to wear masks when dropping off or collecting children.
- Children should bring lunch, drinks and equipment to school. We ask parents only to drop items to the office in an emergency. This should not become a habit.
- All children need to bring a hand cloth in a ziplock bag to school. These should be changed daily.
- As winter comes in and temperatures drop, we usually experience an increase of sickness among children. Please do not send your child to school if he/she is sick.
- We must keep windows open in all classrooms to aid ventilation in classrooms. The heat is on but school may still feel cooler than normal. Your child may wish to wear an additional layer under his/her uniform.

Sponsored Witch Walk

Thank you so much for all your support with the Sponsored Witch Walk. We raised €2964.00 from this event. Your generosity will help enormously with additional heating costs this Winter. It will also go towards costs of upgrading our heating system.

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Thank you for your support of our clothes collection on the 20th of October, a total of €128.00 was raised for our school.

Student Council

We intend to reactivate our Student Council this month. Teachers of senior classes will discuss with pupils how they can get involved. Elections of candidates will be held next week.

Celtic Book Fair

The school Book Fair will be arriving at school next on November 11th. It will be here for longer this year so that we can safely run the fair in line with safety protocols. Unfortunately, parents cannot attend the school to visit the book fair this year. We will issue further details very soon.



School Phone Number

We have experienced an issue with our phone line over the past few weeks. The issue is now resolved and our school number **045-860021** is now fully operational again. Please use this number going forward if you wish to contact the office.

Pods

Teachers have rearranged the children into new Pod groupings of 4-6 children. Children will remain in these Pods until Christmas.

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