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4<sup>th</sup> of October 2021

Dear Parents,

All HSE School Vision Consent Forms should be returned to the school for Junior and Senior Infants as the screening nurse will be in the school tomorrow Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>.

The **First Holy Communion** ceremony for our current Third Class pupils will take place this Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> of October at 11am in **Allenwood Church**. One seat row per family will be assigned for each First Communion child. Wishing the children and their families a memorable and happy day.

After the Halloween break, from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> of November, 1<sup>st</sup> Class and 2<sup>nd</sup> Class will go back to finishing at 2.35pm

Parent teacher meetings are pencilled in for the 16<sup>th</sup>/ 17<sup>th</sup> of November. We are hoping these will take place face to face but are awaiting guidance from the department on this. If they are not face to face they will be through phone call, as they were last year. Links will be sent out to parents in the coming weeks to book times.

This Friday 5<sup>th</sup> of October we will have Road Safety talks for all the classes remotely through Microsoft Teams.

The school will be taking part in the Team Hope Shoebox Appeal this year. We are asking families to put together a shoebox of gifts that will be given to a child affected by poverty across Africa and Eastern Europe. This is a wonderful opportunity to teach the children about the importance of giving to those less fortunate so we hope that as many people as possible will get involved. If you would like to put together a shoebox, simply ask your child to take a leaflet from their teacher and follow the instructions. All shoeboxes must be returned to the school by

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Thursday 4th November at the latest. For more information, see <a href="https://www.teamhope.ie/christmas-shoebox-appeal/">https://www.teamhope.ie/christmas-shoebox-appeal/</a>

There will be a fundraiser **Clothing Collection** on **Tuesday 9th of November**. Black bags can be dropped off on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and early on the Tuesday up to 11.00am, into the bicycle shelter. Duvet covers, shoes, bags and belts will also be collected on the day, thank you for your support.

The school library is nearly ready and we are looking for your help. If you have any bean bags or comfy chairs you would like to donate to our library room, it would be appreciated.

Please see attached flyer from The Lunch Bag. The company are trying to not only make life easier for busy parents but they are also trying to change the culture of school lunches and make it easier and less wasteful for parents to be able to order a wide variety of items that they may not be able to provide their kids ordinarily.

Thank you to all the parents who have paid curriculum resources through Aladdin so far. *Examples* of where this money is spent is;

- Maths, Science, P.E equipment
- Books to support reading and learning
- I.T programs such as our Scholastic Reading Program and ICT infrastructure
- Arts and Crafts Materials

For parents wishing to pay the link is still open through Aladdin. Thank you

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> class are well underway with their ukulele lessons every Wednesday. Reminder we are asking €2 per week to cover the cost of the lesson and ukulele. This will total €60 over the course of the year (€30 for lessons, €30 for ukulele). Unfortunately, those who do not pay for the ukulele will not be keeping them at the end of the year.

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Playball are hoping to resume after school activities in Robertstown National School in about 6 weeks time. Details will be sent out to parents when Playball become available to start back up.

The Student Council has begun meeting in Robertstown National School and are organising their first school fundraiser which is The Witch Walk, it takes place on Friday the 22nd of October. We will walk to school in fancy dress and bring in  $\in$ 2 for school funds. Many Thanks for your support. Thanks to Sophia who made a poster for your attention.

### **Student Council**

President: Jamie Hutchinson Vice President: Rian Kelly Secretary: Caoimhe Donoghue Treasurers: Lily Connolly, Abigail Jacob and Daithi Donoghue PR Team: James Matthews, Jonah



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