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# Robertstown National School

20<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents,

The school will close for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of December, reopening on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> of January. To ensure safety at home time, we will operate staggered dispersal times. Junior and Senior Infants (& siblings) will leave at 11.45am First and Second Class (& siblings) will leave at 11.55am, 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class will leave at 12.05pm. Baskets if not already will also be sent home with children as a precaution in case school does not reopen. If your child is not in school before Wednesday and you would like to collect basket/s please call the office to arrange.

Christmas Jumper Day raised €146, huge thanks from the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. Winners were Hugh in Juniors, Bradley and Adelynn in Seniors, Lily in 1st class, Ruairí in 2nd, Ben in 3rd, M.J. in 4th class, Grace R and Dean in 5th class, Harry in 6th class, Mrs. Dunne won the staff competition, we had great fun at the Christmas Jumper Parade :)



Tomorrow Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> of December is the last day of the Lunch Bag service before Christmas, it will recommence on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> of January.

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Junior Infants HSE Vaccinations, 4 in 1 and MMR will now **NOT** be held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> of January 2022, it will be rescheduled at a later date in the New Year.

The Parent Association has managed to have a hugely successful Christmas Raffle Fund Raiser for the school. We cannot thank you and the children enough for all of your support, neither could we have achieved this without our incredible sponsors. Thank you to All! Our Raffle has raised an amazing **€8,096**. This includes money raised from our Toy Show Goody Bag event. These funds will go a long way towards purchasing a class set of devices for the school. Congratulations to all of our winners on Friday and of course our children who earned well deserved 'sellers' prizes. Special thanks also to Collette in the Post-Office for selling so many tickets!!

Swimming lessons for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> classes will commence for 5 sessions on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> of January. A payment link has been set up on Aladdin. Please return confirmation slips to the class teachers. Those not attending the lessons will need a doctor's cert or legitimate reason as swimming is part of the school curriculum.

Last year we ran a very successful virtual GOAL Mile in Allenwood which raised a substantial amount of money for the very worthy charity GOAL and in the process lifted the spirits of Allenwood and the wider community in what can be for many a very tough time of year. This year our plan at the moment regulations permitting is to run an actual event and of course the option of a virtual event also. GOAL's emergency response programme focuses on saving lives, alleviating human suffering and building resilience for the future. Please let me know if your school is interested in supporting this worthy cause- Celine Cronly 087/2518114

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Amelia Mooney won the December Maths Challenge, she guessed closest to the correct answer – How many jellybeans are in the jar? Amelia guessed 1100 and the answer was 1048. 18 other children won homework passes for their close guesses – Well done to all the mathematicians in the making 😊



“Playball is Back” - we are excited to be coming back to your school!!!

Playball will be held on the school premises on a Monday and is open for Junior and Senior Infants and our new exciting Playsport program(multi-sport) will be offered for 1<sup>st</sup> class and 2<sup>nd</sup> class. If you would like to find out more about Playball, & who we are, please check out our website at [www.playballkids.com/franchise/216](http://www.playballkids.com/franchise/216)

This term will start on **10<sup>th</sup> January** and will continue for 10 weeks last class in this term will be 21<sup>st</sup> March, as there is a midterm break in February. Playball is taught on the school premises once a week on Monday afternoon directly after school, we collect from the class teacher at 1.35 collection at 2.35 and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class at 2.35-3.35 **Fees; €80.00** for more information contact Jodie at 0861619245

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On behalf of all the staff here in Robertstown National School we want to wish all our families a happy, healthy and fun Christmas and we look forward to seeing the children in January and hearing all the Christmas stories.

Stay safe,

Mr. O Donoghue



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