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21st March 2022

Dear Parents,

The next Parents Association meeting is to be held **today Monday the 21st of March**, because of covid numbers in the community and school we have decided to hold our meeting this evening over zoom. It is still on at 7.30pm and all parents are invited and encouraged to join in:

Topic: Parent Association

Time: Mar 21, 2022 07:30 PM Dublin

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75789873254?pwd=Ljj_v5mzbIZY97VPcelZvF-GXG8VFY.1

Meeting ID: 757 8987 3254

Passcode: SeCbX1

All parents will have to now register again for the parent talk on March 28th for **Transition From Primary to Post Primary**

The Parent Association Committee has organised an information session especially for RNS Parents & Guardians on the important topic of 'Transition from Primary to Post Primary' on Monday March 28th at 7.30pm. This talk was postponed from Tuesday 15th March. The talk is open to all interested parents, and will be of most interest to parents of 5th & 6th class children. ALL Parents should register their interest, through the NEW link below, and give National Parents Council permission to forward them the zoom link to the meeting.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Robertstown-NS-TPPP-2022>

Registration will be available until 3:30pm on 28th March, the zoom invitation link will go out shortly after that.

3rd and 4th classes swimming lessons continue tomorrow Tuesday 22nd of March, with their final lesson next week on the 29th of March.

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5th and 6th classes will commence their swimming lessons on Monday 25th of April, our first day back after the Easter holidays. Lessons are for five weeks on the 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th of May.

1st and 2nd classes will commence their swimming lessons on Wednesday 27th of April for five sessions on the 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th of May.

Cross country training will begin on **Tuesday the 22nd of March**. We will train at school from 2:35pm until 3:20pm.

The children in Fifth Class are participating in the Junior Entrepreneur Programme at the moment. They are setting up a mini-business making Terrariums (mini-garden in a jar) which will be on sale soon. We are looking for donations or sponsorship of tiny plants/cacti, decorative large jars or glass vases, Easter themed or other tiny toys-bunnies etc, moss peat or shells etc. In relation to the jars the larger the better, old yankee candle style jars, sweet jars etc, with or without lids would be perfect.

The Parents Association have organised an Easter Cupcake Festival on Wednesday 6th of April. There are lots of prizes to be won, different categories include - Most creative in each class - Healthy options- Most unique - Most colourful
Join in on the day Children will have the opportunity to purchase cupcakes during school hours. Parents are very welcome to join us from 1pm to 3pm to enjoy the cupcakes too! Poppy May's coffee truck will also be onsite serving your favourite cuppa. All funds made from the festival will go towards the school library.

The First Communion Preparation mass will be on Saturday 26th at 6.30pm in Allenwood Church.

It is neurodiversity week beginning March 21st. There are some helpful and informative zooms for teachers, parents, SNAS and children dealing with ASD, dyslexia, dyspraxia and ADHD you may find beneficial and they are free!
<https://www.allabilities.ie/neurodiversity-celebration-week>

Non-uniform day last Wednesday raised €147.56 for goal nets, thanks for your support.

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The first meeting of the flat season takes place on Sunday 27th March. On the day Naas Racecourse will be celebrating the flat season and also giving racegoers a further insight into the racing industry and how to get involved in different areas of the industry. At 10:30am we will have a track walk with Clerk of the course Brendan Sheridan, General Manager Eamonn McEvoy and Jockey Chris Hayes. This is free of charge and if you would like to register your interest

email goracing@naasracecourse.com

Gates open at 12:00pm, complimentary tea/coffee & sweet treats will be served in our marquee. At 12:15pm our Panel discussion starts in our Marquee **"The People Behind the Moment" Sponsored by Equip**. The panel will include some key industry bodies such as owner, trainer, breeder, jockey & more. There will also be a range of kid's activities also happening on the day including the race horse simulator, free goodie bags, meet & greet with jockeys, face painting, magic show & onsite creche. First race goes to post at 1:30pm.

Family admission is €25.00 which includes 2 adults with kids.

General admission €15.00 and Under 16's go free.

Well-being week is organised for the whole school next week Monday 28th to the 1st of April. The Junior end of the school will take part in yoga while the senior students will take part in an exercise class. There will be a talent show on Wednesday. On Friday we will have a non-uniform day where children are encouraged to wear a piece of clothing inside out to show that we don't know how people are feeling on the inside, so we must always be kind. We are holding a Pieta House fundraiser of a donation of €1.00 per child.

This Lent Pope Francis has called on Catholics around the world to dedicate prayers and fasting for peace and an end to the suffering in Ukraine. On Friday the Catholic Schools Committee have organised a prayer service to pray for peace in our own lives and communities, and peace in the world. We will pray for an end to the war in Ukraine. There will be a voluntary collection for Ukraine on the day which will be sent to the Irish Red Cross. Many people have already donated but this will be an opportunity for those who still wish to donate to do so. Thank you, The CSC

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Robertstown National School and their Parent Association want to thank the Children, Parents, Teachers, School Principal, Staff and the Robertstown & Surrounding Communities who all helped make our Fundraiser Raffle a success. The touchscreen Chromebooks are now in use in the school and are an amazing resource for the children to use.



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