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# Robertstown National School

19th of September 2022

Dear Parents,

Reminder that under 11 girls training will commence today after school in Robertstown GAA pitch from 2.45 to 3.30pm. Their first game will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> against Athgarvan in Robertstown at 12pm

Under 11 boys training will start on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> after school in Robertstown GAA pitch from 2.45 to 3.30pm. Their first game will be on Thursday in Allenwood at 1.30pm

Ukulele lessons will recommence again this year for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> classes every Friday, starting Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of September. Cost is €1 for lessons weekly or €2 for lessons and the opportunity to keep the ukulele. A payment link will be set up during the week. We will review progress at Christmas where we will hopefully be listening to some Christmas songs!

Playball returned to Robertstown NS school premises last Monday 12th of September and is open for junior and senior infants and their new exciting Playsport programme (multi-sport) will be offered for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class and up at a cost of €80.00 for the term. Classes will commence for children from junior and senior infants at 1.35 for an hour, while senior group will start at 2.35pm. Links are as follows

Junior infants [https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket\\_bookings.php?classid=49539](https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=49539)

Senior infants [https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket\\_bookings.php?classid=49541](https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=49541)

1st and up [https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket\\_bookings.php?classid=49544](https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=49544)

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Curriculum resources payment links was set up on Aladdin, your support is greatly appreciated in this regard. As per previous year's it will be €50 for the first child, €40 for second and subsequent children.

The school is offering school insurance this year through JF Dunne Insurances, it is recommended that all students avail of this service. You can avail of 24-hour cover for €10.00 per child for the year. A link was set up on Aladdin, deadline for payment link was extended to today **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> of September**. Please see list of insurance exclusions.

Swimming lessons for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes will commence on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November for five weeks. Aquatics is part of the PE curriculum so attendance is advised unless a legitimate reason is given. Cost for the term is €38.00, a link was set up on Aladdin.

County Photos will be in our school on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of November** to take school photos. More information to follow closer to the time.

RNS Parent Association will hold their AGM next Monday September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the school gym. All parents/guardians are encouraged to attend. The meeting will take no longer than 1 hour, 7.30-8.30. It is an important meeting for your Parent Association and the greater Parent Body of the school, as it is an opportunity for parents to hear about the work the Parent Association Committee has been carrying out. The current Parent Association Committee will be dissolved at the AGM and a new Committee will be elected. It is important for as many parents as possible to attend and to vote in a new Committee. We realise not all parents have the time to serve on the Committee and/or have responsibility for the day to day running of the PA. But even if you feel you cannot commit to being on the Committee, please come and join us and show your support at our AGM. You will hear about what the Committee achieved in 2021/2022 and what a new Committee can look forward to for 2022/2023. Parents can also expect to hear from the BOM/School Principal on the evening. The Agenda is as follows:

- Welcome & Minutes of 2021 AGM
- Chairperson's Report on the work of the Parent Association

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- Treasurer's Report
- Update from the Board of Management
- NPC News & Updates
- Election of new Parent Association Committee
- Event Planning for 2022/2023
- AOB

We have organised a clothes collection for **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of November** as a school fundraiser. This will give you the opportunity to clear out the wardrobes during the midterm break. Duvet covers, shoes, bags and belts will also be collected on the day, thank you for your support.

We will begin the student council again this year, the council meetings will take place on Wednesdays at 1:30PM. Students cannot serve on the student council for more than two years in a row. Students from 2nd to 6th will have all this week to campaign and prepare a presentation, then present it to their class.

The September Maths Challenge has started with Ms. Poole, children need to write their name on their answers. Hopefully they will be fun! Entries must be in by 28th of September.

Creative Keyboards started last Thursday from 1.35-2.35pm for Junior classes and 2.25-3.35 for Senior Classes. They supply the KEYBOARDS and the BOOKS and prepare the children from 1st class up for a yearly grade exam akin to Piano. They also have a super infant program which teaches children to read, sing and play.

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After four happy years in Robertstown National School as secretary, I will finish on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> and will start a job share position as SNA in Allen on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> and return to Robertstown as SNA the following week. We have found a lovely lady Lorraine Jackson, she started last Friday as the school secretary. Wishing her the

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very best in her new role. She is looking forward to meeting everyone and working in the school.

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