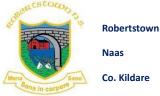
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18<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Parents & Guardians,

I hope you had a lovely weekend. As the weather begins to get colder, we would ask that you please ensure children bring their coats to school.

# Children's Nasal Flu Vaccination Programme for Junior & Senior Infants

Consent forms for the children's nasal flu vaccination have been sent home with the children from junior and senior infants today. Vaccinations will be taking place in the school next Monday 25th of November. Please complete the form and return to the class teacher if you would like your child to receive the vaccine by this Thursday.

### **New School Enrolments**

The deadline for applications for the Junior Infant class and ASD class for September 2025 has passed. Applications can still be submitted but will only be processed after applications received within the enrolment period. If you wish to enrol your child for a different class within the school, please call into the office.

#### **Parent Teacher Meetings**

We are looking forward to meeting you at our annual Parent Teacher Meetings this Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st November. Please ensure you have made an appointment to meet with your child's class teacher at a time that suits. It is important to note that the children (1st-6th class) will finish school at 2.25pm on Wednesday and Thursday this week to facilitate preparation for these meetings.

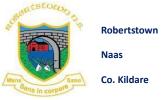
#### **School Closure**

I would like to make you aware that the school will be closed on Friday 29th **November** as the building is being used as a polling station for the General Election.

#### **Swimming**

Swimming lessons for 2nd, 3rd and 4th class continue each Tuesday as usual.

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### **Science Week**

Well done to everyone who participated in the Build a Bridge Challenge as part of Science Week last week. Be sure to check out our display in the hallway when you visit for the Parent Teacher Meetings!

#### **Book Fair**

The Book Fair came to the school last Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> of November. The children have been busy viewing the books and will have the opportunity to purchase books until this Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November. **We would like to invite parents to visit the Book Fair tomorrow from 1.45-2.30pm** if you would like to purchase any books for your child or make an early start on Christmas Shopping!

#### **Kilmainham Gaol**

Ms. Murphy's 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> class went on their school tour to Kilmainham Gaol last Friday. The children had a fantastic time. Speaking with them this morning, I was so impressed with the amount of information they retained about the prison.

#### **6th Class Retreat**

As part of Sixth Class Confirmation preparation, the children will be attending a Confirmation retreat day on **Thursday 5th December 2024** in Mount St. Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre, Killenard, Portarlington, Co. Laois. The cost of the retreat is €30 which also includes the price of the bus and refreshments on the day. The bus will leave the school at 9am sharp on the morning of the retreat and will return by the end of the school day. A link has been set up on Aladdin for payments and all payments should be paid in full by **Friday 29th November.** 

### **Bric-a-Brac Collection**

Time to search out those trinkets and treasures once again for our annual Bric-a-Brac charity fundraiser. The Bric-a-Brac will be held on Tuesday  $10^{\text{th}}$  and

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Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024. The funds will be divided equally between the school and 'Blood Bike Leinster' which provide support to our school community, transporting blood products between hospitals to patients in urgent need (bloodbikeleinster.ie). Items such as toys, unwanted small items, pictures, jewellery, teddies, ornaments, books etc can be sent into the school for the attention of Ms. Conroy or left at the office. Parents will also have the opportunity to come into the school to purchase items. Thank you for your support.

## **Competition**

Congratulations to Ms. Conroy's 6<sup>th</sup> class who have won a trip to the Epic Museum and Jeanie Johnston on schooldays.ie. A date for the trip will be organised soon.

### **Robertstown U-14 Girls**

Congratulations to Robertstown U-14 Girls who won the Under 14 Girls League final against Kilcock 4-10 to 1-6. We are very proud of the girls and we look forward to seeing the cup this Friday!

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