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Dear Parents & Guardians,

I hope that you have had a lovely weekend. Can you believe that we have reached the final week of the school year? On a personal level, thank you for your continued support since I joined the school in November. It has been a great pleasure getting to know the children and families of our school community this past year. I wish you all a wonderful summer and that all our children return safely and rejuvenated at the end of August. Please find below some information about events taking place in the school this week along with some news from the classes in this our final newsletter of the school year.

Active Schools Week

Active Schools Week was a huge success last week, in particular our Sports Day. We were blessed with beautiful weather and the children had a great day partaking in a range of sporting activities. I would like to give special thanks to Robertstown GAA Club for allowing us to use their facilities and for arranging an ice-cream van for the children. It was very much appreciated by everyone. The GAA club has been a great support to the school throughout the year and we look forward to working closely together in the future. Throughout the week, the children took part in step classes, skip-a-thons, local walks and yoga also. Well done to Ms. McCaffrey and Ms. Killeen for organising and coordinating the week's events.



Talent Show

We held our annual Talent Show on Thursday last week where the children were given the opportunity to display their amazing talents. They put on a fantastic show. We

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welcomed past pupil and musician, Camrin Watson, back to the school as part of this. Camrin spoke to the whole school about his breakthrough year and was very generous with his time, answering questions and signing autographs! We wish Camrin every success in his career.

Pathfinder Retrofit Programme

As mentioned previously, the school will be undertaking deep retrofit works during the summer. The works will officially begin once the school closes on Friday this week. During the summer, the school will remain closed and will not be accessible to staff or children. We will reopen as planned on **28th August**.

End of Year Mass

We will be holding our End of Year Mass in the hall for all classes on **Tuesday 24th June** at 12pm. The mass will be delivered by Fr. William Byrne. Many thanks to Ms. Murphy for coordinating the readings for this.

Graduation 2025

Our Sixth class graduation will take place on **Wednesday 25th June** at 11.00am in the hall. There will be tea and coffee served afterwards. **We are looking for parents of 5th class students to help with the tea and coffee on the day so if you are interested in helping out, please contact the school office.** Once the children have graduated, they are finished school for the year, however, they can come in on Thursday and Friday if they wish.

Curriculum Resources

The Curriculum Resources link has been set up on Aladdin for the school year 25/26. We are asking for €60 for child 1, €50 for second sibling, €40 for third etc. This money is a great support to the school in purchasing equipment such as art equipment, books, curriculum resources, guest speakers etc. during the year. **Those who pay by the 30th of September will be entered into a draw to win a €200 One 4 All voucher.**

Pupil Insurance

Our 24hr pupil insurance is available again through the school. The cost is €10 per child, and we highly recommend that all families avail of this. A link has been set up on Aladdin for payment.

Afterschool Care

Kids Inc. will be running an Afterschool Care service on the school premises from September. Applications for this service were sent out via Aladdin last week. If anyone has any difficulty accessing the service, please contact the office.

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On behalf of the entire school, I would like to thank the Parents Association for all their time, contributions and initiatives throughout the year to support the school and make memories for the children. I greatly appreciate their input and it has made a meaningful difference. If you are interested in becoming involved with the Parents Association

Robertstown GAA Summer Camp

Robertstown GAA are holding a summer camp from 14th July-18th July. Details can be found on the poster above. If anyone would like to purchase The club has

new gear available also if anyone would like to purchase. Please be advised that they are small fitting. Samples are available through Aoife Kavanagh in the club.



Return comes to Robertstown!

As a Green School, we are delighted to announce that we now have the Deposit Return Scheme on our school grounds. The bins are located at the left side of the school, near the bicycle shelter. Plastic bottles and aluminium cans with the Return logo on them can be placed in these bins. We hope that this will reduce litter, protect the environment and raise money for the school!

Ms. Monahan's Junior Infants

Junior infants are really enjoying their last few weeks of school. Sports day was a huge hit with the children competing in an egg and spoon

race, an obstacle course, a relay race, hurdles and lots more!

Our class caterpillars have finally emerged from their cocoons and are now beautiful Painted Lady butterflies. The children will care for them and feed them for a couple of days before releasing them. They will be sad to say goodbye but they have enjoyed raising them from tiny caterpillars.



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Ms. McCaffrey & Ms. Kenna's Senior Infants

Our Senior Infants have had so much fun this month! They enjoyed their School Tour to Lullymore, had a Teddy bear's picnic and recently took part in Sports day. Thankfully the weather has been on our side for most of these events. This week the children made up their own stories and created their own comic strips through active group work. Phew!! Busy times!



Ms. Lynch's First Class

A lot has happened over the past month in Robertstown National School. First Class went to a Let's Go Camp in Kilcullen on their school tour and enjoyed a fun filled day with a great variety of activities. The children baked and bought lots of delicious cupcakes for Cupcake Day. Active Sports Week involved step aerobics, a local walk along the canal, sports day, a skipathon and yoga. We are also waiting expectantly for our butterflies to emerge from their chrysalides any day now hopefully. Finally a big thank you for all of your support over the course of the year and I hope you and your families have a happy, safe and healthy summer break.



Ms. Barrett's Second & Third Class

Second class went on their school tour to Go Camps in Kilcullen. They got to play lots of games including virtual reality, bouncy castles, KMX Karts and lots more. They had great fun! Second and Third class had great fun at Sports Day. They competed in races, hockey, obstacle courses and football. They were very competitive. Second and Third Class had pyjama day on Friday. They had great fun watching a film and eating popcorn!





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Ms. Murphy's Third & Fourth Class

Today the children in 3rd and 4th class took a lovely, relaxing canal walk. We sat on the red benches and watched the world go by, dreaming of our summer holidays!! A mechanical weed cutter passed us cleaning the weeds from the bottom of the canal. A few of us sat on the red display bicycle, and some of us even met some people from the community we know. Ms. Murphy gave us jellies when we returned to the school to keep our energy levels up. How lucky are we to live in such a beautiful village.

Mr. Begley's Fifth Class

This month Fifth Class had great fun on our school trip to Clara Lara going in canoes, playing mini-golf and doing obstacle courses. We were also put through our paces for Sports Day! Well done to Andrew who took part in the school's Talent Show last week. He did the class proud!



Ms. Conroy's Sixth Class

As the school year comes to a close, we bid a fond farewell to our wonderful Sixth Class pupils. It has been a privilege to watch them grow, learn, and blossom into the confident young people they are today.

Their recent performance in The Jungle Book was nothing short of outstanding, full of energy, talent, and teamwork. Their commitment and creativity brought the story to life in a way that captivated the whole school community.

We are so proud of each and every one of them and know they are more than ready for the exciting journey ahead. They will be greatly missed in our school, but we send them off with love, pride, and our very best wishes for secondary school and beyond.

Go n-éirí libh, rang a sé! A special thank you goes to past pupil, DJ and music producer



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Camrin Watson, who made the children's day with a surprise visit. Camrin kindly signed autographs, joined in a lively Astro game with Sixth Class, and inspired everyone with his story. It was a wonderful celebration of the success of a past pupil, and we wish him continued success on his tour abroad.



Uniform Drive

Reminder that there is a uniform drive in the school tomorrow Tuesday 1.30-2.30pm. The Parents Association will be set up outside the hall and parents will have the opportunity to pick up uniforms/tracksuits for their children for next year. If anyone wishes to donate a spare uniform in good condition, please drop it to the office by tomorrow morning.

School Closure

The school will close for the summer holidays on **Friday 27th June** at 12.pm. Junior and Senior Infants along with their siblings will finish at 11.50am and the rest of the school will finish at 12.00pm. Have a fantastic summer holiday!