



# Raheen N.S.

## June 15<sup>th</sup> 2017



The School will close on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 12.30 for the Summer Holidays and will re open on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August. Pupils travelling by bus will be picked up at this time.

### End of year Mass

End of year & Graduation mass in Raheen Church on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00am. All are welcome to attend.

### Crazy Hair Day



On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June a 'Crazy Hair Day' fundraiser for Crumlin Hospital takes place. Anything goes on the day curl it, tease it, gel it or twist it, put a wig on, punk or just plain messy, just go crazy!!!!. Use your imagination, join in the fun and raise funds to help support small victories for sick children every day. Everyone is encouraged to take part. Each child is asked to bring in a small donation on the day e.g. €2.00.

### New Enrolments

We have 14 new enrolments for 2017 which will give us a total of 133 pupils for the school year 2017/2018. Class allocation is as follows: Ms. Catherine Greene: (14) Junior Infants & (8) Senior Infants, Ms. Clodagh Jordan: (12) Senior Infants & (12) 1<sup>st</sup> Class, Ms. Róisín Quigley: (24) 2<sup>nd</sup> Class & (7) 3<sup>rd</sup> Class, Ms. Sarah Browne: (10) 3<sup>rd</sup> Class & (20) 4<sup>th</sup> Class and Ms. Bernie Murray Ryan: (11) 5<sup>th</sup> Class & (15) 6<sup>th</sup> Class.

### Friday Food September – Christmas

From Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Total number of weeks: 14

#### **Amount Due:**

Junior Infants 75c x 13 = €9.75

Senior Infants - 2<sup>nd</sup> class 75c x 14 = €10.50

3<sup>rd</sup> class - 6<sup>th</sup> class €1.50 x 14 = €21.00

**'Friday Food' beginning on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September & beginning for Junior Infants on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. No food on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September.**

**Money to be paid to the school by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September.** If you do not wish your child to avail of the Friday Food please let the school know as soon as your child returns to school at the end of August.



### Recent Fundraising

Our annual sponsored walk on Carrigbyrne Hill which took place on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May raised the sum of €1,502.00 to date. Your generosity and support is greatly appreciated. If you have not returned your sponsorship card please do so before next Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the 50/50 Split the Pot draw each month and all other fundraisers organized by the P.A. during the year. This month's 50/50 takes place on Thursday next 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Remember to be included in this month's draw return your cards on or before Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>.

Internet Safety Talk for parents in the school on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September @7.30pm

## School Sports Day

Thanks to Parents Association for organising our Sports Day which will be held on this Friday 16<sup>th</sup> (weather permitting) and to all who have agreed to help out on the day. This year the P.A. have the Archers from Kilmokea Gardens visiting. Each child will get a chance to participate. We hope everyone will have a most enjoyable day. No need for the children to wear the school uniform.



## Big Bear Planetarium

Big Bear Planetarium will visit on next Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June. The Dome will be set up in the Community Hall next door. All classes will have an allotted time within the dome tailored to each specific age. This fun & educational event was organised & funded by the P.A. for This visit was originally scheduled for Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

## School Accounts

The School Accounts for 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 which have recently been audited are available for inspection at the school.

## School Tracksuits Orders

School Tracksuits will be available to buy at Kennedy's Drapery, New Ross. (Red Polo shirt to be worn with the school tracksuit).

Parents can buy directly from the shop themselves and all queries regarding the tracksuit will be dealt with by them. If you need to purchase a new tracksuit for your child/children please drop into Kennedy's and place your order as soon as possible. This will give them a more accurate idea of what sizes & quantity they need to have in stock.

## Guidelines for the New School Year 2017-2018

Please note the following;

The B.O.M. of Raheen N.S., has decided that zero tolerance is being adopted with regard to the wearing of the School Uniform / School Tracksuit.

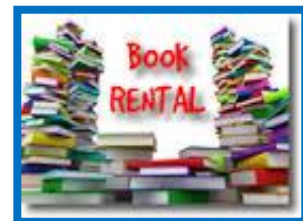
No child may come to school without wearing the School Uniform or the School Tracksuit. (No excuses accepted). Raheen N.S. uniform is as follows: Navy Jumper, Light Blue Shirt, Grey Pinafore / Trousers. Uniform may be bought where you wish. The school tracksuit may also be worn as the school uniform. School tie available to buy at Kennedy's Drapery, New Ross.



The School Tour for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class took place on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June. They visited Dunmore East Adventure Centre. On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June the Junior Infants, Senior Infants, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> visited Playzone (Wexford) and the Heritage Park for their school tour. A brilliant day was had by all.

The response to 'Book Rental Scheme' for the coming school year has been a great success. Over 99% of the parents have opted for the rental scheme. Many thanks to the ladies who are involved in the successful running of it, we really appreciate your help.

**Please ensure that all books rented for the last school year are returned to the school on or before this coming Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June. All books under the Book Rental Scheme will be handed out to the children on the morning of their return to school.**



## Indoor Shoes

A reminder that all children are expected to have a change of shoes for inside, to help keep the carpets and interior of the school clean.

## Raheen N.S. Yearbook

A year book for the 2016/2017 School Year was produced by the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class students with the assistance of all staff members and pupils. A copy will be sent home to each family before we close for the Summer break. We wish the present 6<sup>th</sup> class every success and happiness in Secondary School and in their future careers.

**A Graduation Ceremony will be held on this Friday 16<sup>th</sup> for the pupils who are leaving.**

## SCHOOL HOURS & CHILDREN'S SAFETY

A reminder that the school day begins at 9:20am. We would ask that the children do not arrive any earlier than 9:10am as they are not supervised prior to this time. Teachers arrive early sometimes to do class preparation work. **All children are expected to arrive no later than 9:20am.** School finishes at 3:00pm (2:00pm for Junior & Senior Infants). Please arrange to have your child collected at the appropriate time, as they are not supervised after school hours.

Please, at all times when dropping off or picking up your children:

- **park your car in the spaces provided across the road.**
- **accompany your child to and from the school gate. (It is vital that each child from Junior Infants up to Sixth Class is collected at the gate by a parent/guardian.)**
- **do not drop your children off before 9:10am and be sure to collect them on time.**
- **all the above points apply at all times and with no exceptions even during bad weather.**

We would greatly welcome your co-operation.

## Appointments

If for any reason you wish to see your child's teacher please phone the school office to make a suitable appointment.

## Office Hours

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 9.30am – 3.00pm.**

## SCHOOL ABSENCES

Please be reminded that you should always provide a note to the class teacher explaining the reason for your child's absence, on the day they return to school. This applies even if you have already contacted the school by phone. There is no need to phone the school unless your child is going to be absent for long periods e.g. serious illness, child has to be hospitalised or holidays during school term.



## School Website & Blog

If you log on to our website [www.raheenswx.scoilnet.ie](http://www.raheenswx.scoilnet.ie) you will be able to source School Calendar, Booklists, School Policies and recommended Educational Websites. You can access our school blog on [www.raheenswx.scoilnet.ie/blog](http://www.raheenswx.scoilnet.ie/blog).

## We enclose the following:

- Newsletter.
- Your child/children's School Report for the school year 2016/2017
- The School Calendar for 2017-2018. (except present 6<sup>th</sup> class)
- Letter to Parents on 'Splitting Classes' & List of pupils in each class (Senior Infants & 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Only)
- Note on meaning of STen Scores
- Note from Kennedy's Drapery on School Uniform

***We hope everyone will have a wonderful summer and all our pupils will return healthy and refreshed on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August.***

Regards: **John Curran (Principal)**

