

MARCH 2023

Rathfarnham Parish National School

Lost property

There is a small mountain of clothing that needs to be reunited with its owners! The lost property is located just inside the main door. When you're in school to visit on Friday mornings, please take a few minutes to look through the clothing - often children don't recognise their own belongings!

Also, please can you ensure that your children's belongings are labelled so that we can match the owners to the items!

Choir

The choir will sing in church on the 12th March and on the 23rd April. The choir has also been invited to take part in a concert in Rathfarnham Parish Church on Sunday 7th May at 7p.m.



Seachtain na Gaeilge

Our annual Seachtain na Gaeilge will take place on 13th-16th March. During the week we will be trying our best to use Gaeilge as much as possible and taking part in a variety of activities to celebrate our Irish culture and heritage. Please try to encourage your children to use their Gaeilge at home too!

St. Patrick's Day

School will be closed on Friday 17th March for St. Patrick's Day.





PTA fundraiser

The PTA is selling fresh living lapel shamrock for St. Patrick's Day this year. All children have been given an order form and you can order as much as you like with a proportion of the proceeds going towards the school.

Playground

Parents should please note that children are not permitted to play on the playground equipment when there is no member of staff present to supervise. This includes times when children are getting their bikes and being collected from school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Puppet Show

The children all really enjoyed the recent visit to the school by the Moon and Sixpence Puppet Theatre company who gave two performances. There was great laughter and fun in the school hall!

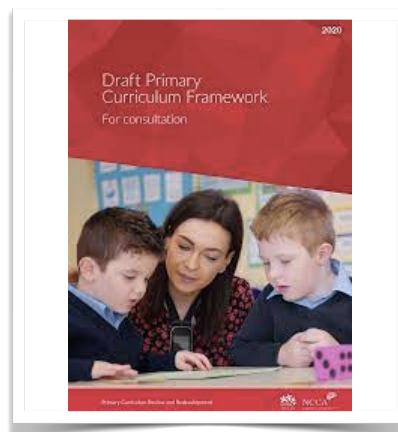
Hockey

Hockey for all day on Monday 6th March, last day of hockey.

Primary Curriculum Framework Launch

On the 9th March the Minister for Education and Skills, Norma Foley, will officially launch the new Primary Curriculum Framework. This is a very important event which has been the culmination of several years of consultation, research and development by the NCCA. We have been very fortunate to have been one of the schools which has been involved in the Schools Forum and have worked alongside the NCCA in developing this important piece of work over the past five years.

We are delighted to have been invited by the Department of Education and Skills to be present for the Minister's launch in Dublin Castle on the 9th March. Six 6th class pupils have been invited to represent the school at the launch.



Late for school

Children who are late for school must be signed in at the office. Please try to get to school before formal instruction begins at 8.40 a.m. The 20 minutes 'teacht le chéile' time from 8.20-8.40a.m. is very important for your child to prepare for the day ahead, check in with their friends and hand in homework. It is disruptive and discourteous to have children wandering into class late - not to mention embarrassing for the child involved. Please try to get up that little bit earlier so your child is on time for school!

End of term

School closes for the Easter holidays on Friday 31st March at 12 noon.