



Newsletter Rathmore



February 2022

Parent Teacher Consultations

We are looking forward to our Parent Teacher Consultations this month and the opportunity to meet together face to face once again. Meeting/phonecall times have been sent home via school bags with the eldest child in each family.

P7 Transfer

The EA Transfer portal opens today until 4pm on 23 February for parents to complete online applications for their secondary schools. Please refer to the Seesaw Information Pack we sent home last Friday. Consultation times have been arranged and we remind AQE/GL parents that these results will be live on Saturday 5 February. We are here to help you with this process so please get in touch if we can support you in any way.

Diary Dates

Safer Internet Day – 8 February

P1 – P7 Parent Consultations
7 – 10 February (1.10pm Finish all week)

AQE & GL Results - 5 February

Dress Up Friday - Mental Health Week
11 February

Half Term - 14 – 18 February

PTA Book Fair - 28 February – 3 March

World Book Day - 3 March

Staffing

We welcome Arlene Halliday as our permanent part-time Secretary following a recruitment process. Lots of you know Arlene already so it is good to have her on the Rathmore Team permanently.



Paula Spence will join our Familyworks Team this month as a Counsellor alongside Victoria.



Raffy's Thought for the Month:

'Honesty is the best policy'

So always tell the truth.



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'Caring, learning, excelling together.'

School Traffic

We remind you to park with courtesy and care when dropping off or collecting your child from school. We have received concerns regarding parked cars blocking the pavement for pedestrians.

Rathmore PS is situated in a busy, residential area so respectful and safe parking is of utmost importance.

Ralphie Reindeer

Many thanks for your support of our Ralphie Reindeer in Bloomfields Shopping Centre.

Whilst we did not win, the overall total was £2,443.09 which will be split evenly between One Great Day and NI Hospice.

Well-Being

Thank you for supporting our January Well-Being month. The children and staff have been learning new strategies and enjoying new skills which we hope to build on over the next few months.

Our Neuronimo programme will continue until Easter and we will welcome our Reach Team into school this month.



We will be celebrating Children's Mental Health Week from the 7 – 11 February 2022. The children will take part in different activities during the week to support their mental health.

The theme for this year is 'Growing Together.' It is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow.

On Friday 11 February we would like the children to come to school in an outfit or colour that makes them feel happy.

Please keep an eye on Seesaw and Facebook to see what we have been up to during the week.

Safer Internet Day

Internet Safety Day is on 8 February this year and the theme is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.

This is a really important area to discuss with all age groups and the class teachers will lead lessons and activities on this day.

PTA News

School Fund 2nd Instalment £10

Thanks to all those who have kindly donated to School Fund. These donations are crucial for the future of our school in a really tough financial time for NI education, so please if you haven't managed to donate yet then please consider it this month.

Book Fair

This year's Book Fair will take place as usual with children browsing and reading books from the Fair. The difference this year will be online purchasing with orders placed between 28.02.22 – 03.03.22. PTA Book Fair leaflets will go home on 25.02.22. Further details will follow at the end of the month via Seesaw.

This Fair helps us to raise money to replenish our classroom books. Thank you for your support.

Cash for Cobbler

Thank you for your clothes collections for Cash for Clobber last month – we will let you know the total raised next month.