

# Newsletter Rathmore



## Staff News

Final Edition June 2023



We will be saying thank you and Happy Retirement to Mrs Burton (23yrs) Mrs Gabbey (31yrs) and Mrs Crothers (12yrs) at the end of term. Jointly they have spent 66 years caring and teaching the children here in Rathmore PS. We take this opportunity to send them our best wishes and thanks as they begin this next chapter of life.

Our sincere thanks and best wishes to Gillian Davidson who has been an integral part of our lunch-time tam for the past 14 years.



We will miss you all.

Our best wishes to Emma Henry and Lois Wilcox as they commence their maternity leave.

## End of Year Arrangements

The P7 Leavers' Assembly will start at 9.30am on Wednesday 28 June and our 'Class of 2023' will finish school after this event.

Our Nursery Classes will finish the school year with their Nursery Celebrations on Thursday 29 June.

P1- P6 Classes will finish on Friday 30 June which is a non uniform day. School will close for the summer at 12.15pm

## Charity Thanks

Thank you for your support of our 'Fitness Freddy Fundraiser' last month. Our top fundraisers were; Edison Mullen P1CA, Jennifer Blair P5ED & Freddie Balmer P2JB/KF. In total your generosity raised a fabulous £3338. NI Cancer Fund for Children will receive a cheque for £1669 and the other £1669 has been donated to the PTA.

## Annual Reports

Your child will receive their Annual Report and meet their new teacher tomorrow. Change is a natural part of life so as we prepare our children for 'Moving On' we will celebrate the year that they have had and talk positively about their future.

## Free School Meals & Uniform Grants

All parents/guardians (including new applicants) will be able to apply online from 26 June 2023 via the EA website.

<https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/free-school-meals-uniform-grants>

## September Meetings

Our Parents' Information Sessions for P2 - P7 will take place 4 - 7 September. At these meetings, you will get a chance to meet your child's teacher(s) and hear an outline of the year ahead, the curriculum your child will cover and how you can get involved in your child's education.

P2 – Monday 4 Sept at 1.25pm

P3 – Tuesday 5 Sept at 1.25pm

P4 – Tuesday 5 Sept at 2.30pm

P5 – Wednesday 6 Sept at 2.30pm

P6 – Thursday 7 Sept at 2.30pm

P7 – Monday 4 Sept at 2.30pm

## North Down Athletics

Congratulations to all our P5 – P7 children who qualified for the heats and finals this year.



Record Breaker

Summer in P6 broke the Primary School record for throwing the cricket ball: 33.07m



Our Winners



Our Finalists



Rathmore Boys' 'Overall 3<sup>rd</sup> Place'

Best Wishes for a relaxed Summer.

Good luck to our P7s as they continue to secondary school. We are so proud of you!



# Parent Holiday List 2023-2024

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## Term 1

Tuesday 29 August – Thursday 21 December

School Commences Tuesday 29 August 2023 (12:15 finish 29, 30 & 31 August)  
SD Day: Monday 2 October 2023  
Half Term: Monday 30 October – Friday 3 November 2023  
Last Day of Term: Thursday 21 December 2023 (12.15pm finish)

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Christmas Break: Friday 22 December 2023 – Friday 5 January 2024

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## Term 2

Monday 8 January – Friday 22 March

School Commences: Monday 8 January 2024  
Half Term: Monday 12 - Friday 16 February 2024  
St. Patrick's Day: Monday 18 March 2024  
Last Day of Term: Friday 22 March 2024 (12.15pm finish)

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Easter Break: Monday 25 March - Friday 5 April 2024

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## Term 3

Monday 8 April – Friday 28 June

School Commences: Monday 8 April 2024  
May Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2024  
SD Days: Monday 27 & Tuesday 28 May 2024  
Last Day of Term: Friday 28 June 2024 (12.15pm finish)

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