

January 2025



Newsletter Rathmore



Diary Dates

7 January	Open Day
8 January	School Commences
25 January	SEAG Results
28 - 31 January	P7 Parent Transfer Consultations
10 - 14 Feb	Half Term
3 - 6 Mar	P1 - P6 Parent Consultations (1.10pm finish all week)

Congratulations to all our children who shone during our Christmas events. Our P1 Nativities and Carol Service at Bangor West Church were so well supported. We are very proud of you all.



Happy New Year!



Happy New Year! We hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas. We are looking forward to seeing our pupils back, refreshed for another term.



Staff News

A massive Congratulations to Emma & Luke Greene on the safe arrival of their twins, Will & Olivia on 20.12.24. We cannot wait to meet them.



Nursery and P1 Enrolment

We remind all parents of prospective Nursery and P1 children that the EA Online Application Process will open on Friday 10 January for 2025 Enrolment. Visit our website to view our enrolment videos, prospectus and criteria www.rathmoreps.co.uk

Rathmore Nursery & P1 Open Morning

Tuesday 7 January 2025
10.00am - 12.00noon

EA Applications Portal Opens

10 - 24 January 2025
www.eani.org.uk/parents/admissions
EA Help Desk: 02895 985 595



Raffy's Thought for the Month:
'Think before you act'

Once words are out, they can't be put back.

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'Caring, learning, excelling together.'

Inter-Generational Links

As part of our ongoing community partnership, some of our P6 children visited the residents of Oakmont Nursing Home last month.



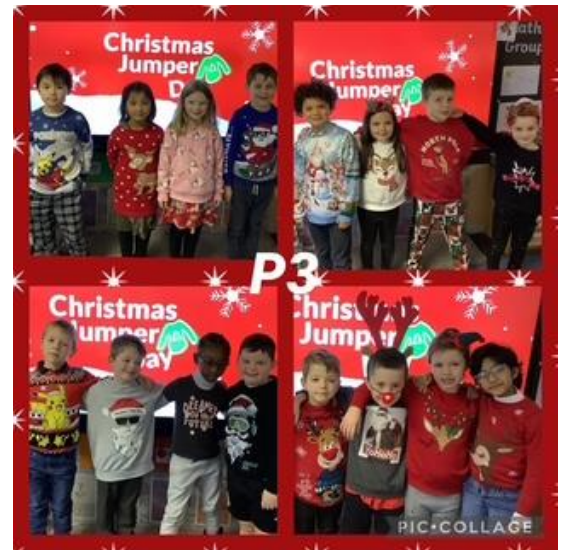
Our P7 singers and musicians entertained the residents and spread their Christmas cheer!

We are grateful for parent support in accommodating these short visits as they provide additional opportunities to connect with those of a different generation. They are also great fun!



Save the Children
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Thank you for your support of our Christmas Jumper Day. We raised £411 for Save the Children.



Nursery 'Play & Stay'

Thank you to all families who supported our Christmas Play & Stay sessions. The children were so excited to welcome you into their Nursery world and show you around.



Fabulous at Football



Ollie from P6 has been scouted to be part of "Playing For The Future Academy" (entry of which is by invitation only).

Ollie trains weekly at Queens University and was delighted to recently win the Belfast Youth Cup with his team.

Ollie currently plays for Bangor Football club and is excited to keep furthering his skills at the Academy.

Trampoline Success



Well done to Pippa from P5 who represented Rathmore last month at the NI schools Championship and came 1st in her category which is novice P1 to 7.

She will now be heading to Newcastle in England later this month to represent us again in the championships.

Thank You

A huge Rathmore thanks to Jenni from Signature Schools who presented us with a cheque for £944 from their uniform sales commission over the past year. Every penny will be spent on our enhancement fund for classrooms & outdoor play. 😊



Parent Consultations

P7 Parent Transfer Consultations will take place from 28 - 31 January 2025.

P1 – P6 Parent Consultations will take place 3 – 6 March 2025. As is usual practice, school will end at 1.10pm for all P1 – P6 children during this week to facilitate these conversations.

Post-Primary Open Days & Evenings

Over the next number of weeks, the Post-Primary schools will be hosting their open days and open evenings for prospective students. Information regarding these dates can be found on the relevant school's website or on your class Seesaw page.

We encourage both P6 & P7 parents to use this opportunity to think about the next stage for your child.

After School Clubs

Our After School Club Programme starts week commencing 13 January 2025. Thank you for signing up last term. Please confirm dates and collection arrangements with those picking up your children.

PTA News

Thank you for your support of our December 2024 events.

Our PTA Party Day was great fun with every child involved in our games, disco, movie and snack. The profit made through the event was £1227 which will go towards our PTA Enhancement Fund.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the School Fund last term. Your support means we can enhance our children's learning environment.

We are looking forward to a new venture, a Community Day on Monday 31 March 2025, 4 – 6pm. If you have community connections or would like to join in the planning you are welcome to come to our next PTA meeting on Monday 13 January 2025 at 7pm.

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Help support us for your children's future!