

RATHFARNHAM



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Weekly Update

5th February 2021

This week in RETNS

Another great week of work completed by our children and staff in RETNS. Múinteoir John from RTE's Home School Hub sent us a lovely message for all our staff and students. You can watch it by clicking on the link.

[Message from Múinteoir John](#)

Assembly

We had a great turnout at Assembly today. Have a look at our website [RETNS](#) to see Blue Whale pictures from some of the children in the school. The Green School theme for these coming two weeks is all about Junk Kouture. Students were asked by Jennifer, Lucy and Bria to design an outfit or part of an outfit made from 100% recycled materials. It could be a necklace or a handbag or an entire outfit. You don't have to make the outfit, you could just draw it. You can work as a family doing this and you have until 17th February.

Frásaí na Seachtaine:

An bhfuil sibh réidh?

Táimid réidh! / Nílimid réidh!

Bhuamar!

Comhghairdeas!

Chailleamar!

Mí ádh!

The phrases were presented at Assembly today by Lauren and Dillon from 4th class. They are also on the RETNS website. [Frásaí na Seachtaine](#)

Safer Internet Day

Next Tuesday is Safer Internet Day. All senior classes will include this in their plans for the day.

Barnardos are running free webinars on Internet Safety on 9th and 24th February for parents. You can register at [Online Safety Programme for Parents and Guardians](#)

No-screen Day – Wednesday, 10 February

The following day, Wednesday, 10 February, we will have a 'digital detox' or 'no-screen day'. We will have no zoom sessions and lesson plans will be uploaded to Seesaw the previous day. The teachers will provide a range of learning activities that do not include screens.

February Core Value: Love



After much deliberation, here is the winning poster for Love! It's by Antek in Junior Infants. The standard was VERY high and it took a long time to choose an overall winner! Well done Junior Infants and well done Antek for your fabulous poster.

Supporting the Safe Provision of Schooling

RETNS was inspected on 7 December 2020 to ensure that the Department's guidelines on ensuring that schools are safe learning and working environments were being implemented. I have attached the report for your information.

[Supporting the Safe Provision of Schooling](#)

Advice from the Department of Education on

[Continuity of Schooling Advice for Parents and Guardians](#)

Coding for Children



Balally Family Resource Centre are running free Coding for Children Events on 17th February and 17th March (St. Patrick's Day).

[Mission Zero 2021](#)

Breathing Exercises

I have attached two exercises mentioned at a recent assembly

[Breathing](#)

Audible

Audible (Amazon's online audiobook streaming site) has free access to stories for the duration of the school closure. [Audible Start-Listen](#)

Southside Partnership and women4women Network for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown

The Women's Programme booklet gives information of online courses, workshops, and events up to June 2021 - [W4W Programme Booklet Spring 2021](#)

Le dea-ghuí

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