

RATHFARNHAM



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Weekly Update 15 June 2023

This Week in RETNS



Thank you to all involved in the smooth organisation of our Family Fun Day last Sunday. The sun shone and there was a fantastic atmosphere.

In spite of the very relaxed atmosphere, I appreciate all the work that goes into these occasions.

Go raibh maith agaibh go léir!

5th Class have yet again been busy tending to their Pocket Forest in Loreto Park. It is going from strength to strength, as are their horticultural skills! This June, the children weeded the area, identified each of the growing native species and collected water from the river (two whole watering cans per plant!). That's a lot of runs down to the river! Not a bother on 5th Class. They are always ready to go the extra mile. Laura (support teacher)

Photos of the Pocket Forest can be found on the RETNS website.



Next Week in RETNS!

Raising the Pride Flag



Next Wednesday, 21 June, we will be raising our Pride flag at 09.15. This is also an occasion to celebrate the Summer Solstice. As happens every June, children are invited to dress in rainbow colours on the day.

Smartwatches

Please remember that children should not wear smartwatches to school. Expensive electronic equipment should be left at home and no cameras are allowed in school.

New Boards of Management



Ever thought of volunteering for an Educate Together
School board of management?

Vacancies will arise in schools round the country in
December 2023 for the next four-year term.

No experience is necessary as full training is provided.

For further information scan the QR code



As you might be aware by now, school boards in every national school in the country will be re-constituted on 1st December 2023. We will be looking for a number of new Board members for the RETNS Board. If you would consider serving on our Board, please contact any member of our current Board.

There are also opportunities to serve on the Boards of other schools – see picture above.

RETNS Lotto

Last week's lotto winner of €20 was Karen Scully.

There was no winner of the jackpot which now stands at €850.

Please spread the word and encourage family and friends to join to help grow our fundraiser at <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/retns>

Summer Camps in RETNS - see information on dates and booking below

Empath Kidz Workshop – see information attached

<https://retns.ie/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Empath-Kidz-Workshop.pdf>

Short film seeking young Mid-Eastern/North African female lead

Mac Allister Casting is casting a short film for children that will broadcast on RTÉ and various other channels within Europe as part of a programme called the Children's Drama Exchange. No experience necessary. Further information can be found in the attachment below.

If interested, please apply to: www.dawnmacallister.com/actors

Message from Dodder Action

Friends, the sunny days have brought out the revellers which is great news except a lot of them have left their litter behind them...

Here are SIX opportunities for you to do your bit to keep the river clean for the summer. Remember once it's littered it gets more littered...

SATURDAY JUNE 17th

Milltown, 10 am meet opposite Wilde and Green

Rathfarnham, 10 am meet at old footbridge to Bushy Park (nearest Tesco's)

Sean Walsh Park, meet 10.30 am at roundabout outside Old Bawn Community School

SUNDAY JUNE 18TH

Jobstown: meet at Bawlea Avenue at 10.30 am

SATURDAY JUNE 24th

The Big One...

Whitestown Stream hasn't been cleaned in a while and we really need your help for this.

Meet Killinarden Park, park gates beside Croi Ro Naofa GAA Club, 10.30 am

BRING YOUR OWN GLOVES!

Le dea-ghuí

Maeve

SUMMERCAMPS

Next Stage Theatre School 3rd – 7th July

www.nextstage.ie

Starcamp 10th – 14th July

17th – 24th July

www.starcamp.ie

Nutty Scientists 24th – 28th July

<https://nuttyscientists.com/dublinsouth/our-programs-events/register-for-a-programme/>



IRISH CASTING CALL

Seeking an 8-11 year old girl of Middle Eastern or North African heritage to play the lead role in a wonderful new short film full of imagination.

Must be resident in Ireland and be fully available from August 27 - 31st. The role is paid with travel and accommodation covered.

If your child would like to be considered, please complete the form in the link.

Applications must be submitted by a parent or legal guardian. Every application will be considered, but we can not respond to all applicants. We will be in touch if we would like to invite your child to tape for the role.

PLEASE SUBMIT ASAP, but no later than Wed 21st June.

Shares welcomed! Thank you!