

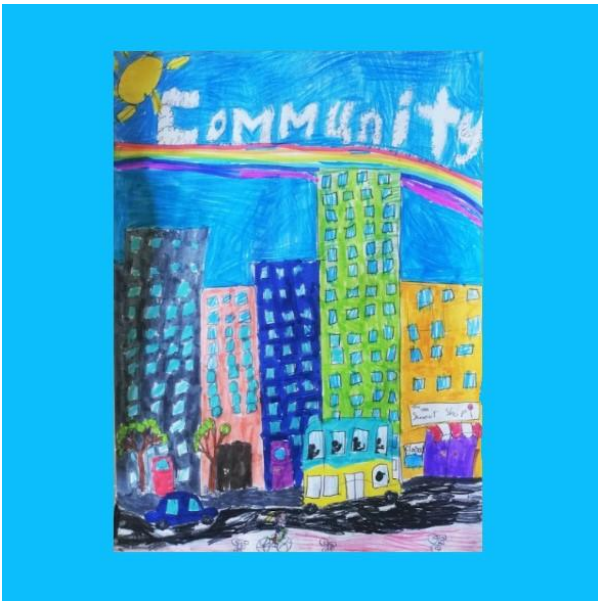
RATHFARNHAM



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Weekly Update 8 June 2023

This Week in RETNS



Our final value of the school year is **Community**. Learning about community, we think of all the parents/guardians who contribute to the school in so many ways and the staff and children who show kindness to each other in their daily lives.

Our basketball teams have also modelled community in how they include everyone and play with a great sense of fairness.

Learning to be a member of a community is a long process but we are fortunate to have such positive role models in RETNS.

Our Golden Boot competitions have returned after a break. The winner of the Junior Boot competition last week was Rang II and Rang IV won the Senior Boot.

'Row Hard or Go Home'



This morning, Rang VI had a fantastic talk from Air Corps helicopter pilot Eugene Mohan. He had previously spoken to 2nd – 5th classes. Eugene rowed across the Atlantic with his brother, Frankie, another pilot in the Air Corps and two other teammates and had a truly inspirational tale to tell.

Cake Sale Update



We received a receipt for the €1,085.00 raised for the Gavin Glynn Foundation. The attached receipt gives details of how funds raised are used .

<https://retns.ie/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/TGGF-Receipt-RETNS-June-2nd-2023.pdf>

School trips

We have reached the time of year when classes go on school trips. Junior Infants went to Airfield today (the bus seems to have been the highlight!). Yesterday, Rang IV had a great day out in Croke Park and today went to a lego workshop in Ballyroan library. They have also been working on shadow puppet theatres.

Tomorrow, Rang III will go to the zoo.

Next Week in RETNS!

School trips

Monday: Rang V to Glendalough

Tuesday: Senior Infants to Glenroe Farm

Wednesday: Rang II to Forest Club

Thursday: Rang VI to CP Adventure

Student Council Fundraiser 2023!

On Thursday, June 22nd (Sports Day) the Student Council will host a Mini Football Tournament for 1st - 3rd Class

and a Mini Basketball Tournament for 4th- 6th Class

Games will take place in the Side Garden (football) and Senior Yard (basketball) in the afternoon.

Taking part is optional, and players are asked to donate €1 to this year's chosen charity, The Gavin Glynn Foundation. (Supporters can donate too if they'd like!)

Teams will be announced closer to the day and will be mixed across class levels.

Children who would like to take part have been asked to put their name on the sign-up sheet in their class.

The Student Council will collect donations the day before (Wednesday, 21st)

Thank You!

How Parents can support the child with dyslexia at 2nd level

Ballyroan Library is hosting this talk on June 12th which might be of interest to parents/guardians of children at, or about to start, second level.

Wyn McCormack works with Dyslexia Courses Ireland who offer support to teachers at second level, parents of students with dyslexia and students who have dyslexia. She is a former Guidance Counsellor and Special Educational Needs teacher. Her three sons have dyslexia. She was involved with the Dyslexia Association of Ireland for over 20 years and designed and presented courses on dyslexia for parents, teachers and students while with them.

Further information and booking details are at the Eventbrite link below.

[How Parents can support the student with dyslexia at second level. Tickets, Mon 12 Jun 2023 at 18:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Free instrumental tuition with the Cross Border Orchestra of Ireland – for children in 3rd – 6th class

Information sent in separate email.

RETNS Lotto

Last week's lotto winner of €20 was Anne Bradley.

There was no winner of the jackpot this week.

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

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