

**RATHFARNHAM**



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# Weekly Update 07.09.23

## **This Week in RETNS**

The children and staff have been making the most of the sunshine with lots of outdoor learning this week.

5th class have started their cycle safety lessons. They are very excited to get outside next week and onto the bikes.

5th and 6th class have also started back their swimming lessons this week.

## **Positive Behaviour Week (Sept 11th - 15th)**

Next week, there will be a focus on positive behaviour and communication throughout the school. The staff have lots of activities planned to support and encourage this. We ask you to speak to your child about the importance of being respectful, kind and treating others fairly. Our Friday assembly next week will focus on this where we will highlight good examples of positive behaviour.

## **2.30 club**

The 2.30 club will not be running this term as there has not been enough demand. We will look at this again in Term 2.

## **Toy Day**

Friday is Toy Day. The children are allowed to bring in one toy from home to play with and to share with others. These toys can be brought outside at lunch time. Electronic/battery operated toys are not allowed. We encourage your child to choose a toy that is small enough to fit into their school bag. We also encourage safe play - if the play becomes unsafe, the teacher on duty may remove the toy from the yard for that day.

## **Covid cases**

Covid cases are on the rise in the community. We have a small number of positive cases here in the school. If your child is feeling unwell, we ask you to please keep him/her at home until the symptoms cease.

## **Flu Vaccine**

**The flu vaccine will be available here in the school on October 09th. McCabe's pharmacy will be facilitating this. Any child from 4-12years can avail of this free of charge. Further information to follow.**

## **Dates for the diary**

### **September 14th**

**Just a reminder: The school will close at 1.30pm to facilitate whole staff CPD training. All children will go home at 1.30pm on this day.**

### **September 25th onwards**

**Class teachers will be organising orientation meetings from September 25th. This gives you a chance to come into the classroom, meet with your child's teacher and get a sense of what the year ahead will look like for your child in relation to the curriculum, expectations and activities. There will be an option for face to face/Zoom. The class teacher will be in touch with the meeting date for your child. The meetings will run from 9.10 - 9.30am approx.**

Kind regards

Louise