

RATHFARNHAM



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## ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE

In respect of admissions to the 2025/2026 school year

### Application Form and Admission Policy

The online [Application Form for Admission to Junior Infants](#) will be available from 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 on the RETNS website: - [RETNS.ie](#)

The online [Application Form for Admission to all other classes](#) will be available from 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025 on the RETNS website: - [RETNS.ie](#)

A copy of the school's **Admission Policy** for the 2025/2026 school year is available as follows: – To view or download at: [RETNS Admissions Policy](#)

And on request: By emailing [info@retns.ie](mailto:info@retns.ie) or writing to: RETNS, Loreto Avenue, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14.

### PART 1 - Admissions to the 2025/2026 school year

#### Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2025/2026 school year

The following are the dates applicable for admission to **Junior Infants**

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| The school will commence accepting applications for admission on  | <b>2nd Oct 2024 at 09.00</b>  |
| The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on  | <b>31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2024 at 23.59</b>                                      |
| The lottery for places in Junior Infants in 2025 will take place in the week beginning 4 <sup>th</sup> November and we will notify parents/ guardians of their number drawn, by email, on or before Friday 15th November. | <b>Week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024</b>                            |
| The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is  | <b>By 10.00 am on the 5<sup>th</sup> working day after the offer is made*</b> |

**Note:** Applications made after the 31 October 2024 will be processed as late applications, the school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's admission policy.

**\*Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above will result in the offer being withdrawn.**

**Other Year Groups Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2025/2026 school year**

The following are the dates applicable for admission to other year groups (SI to 6<sup>th</sup> class)

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| 1. The school will commence accepting applications for admission to other year groups on  | <b>8<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 09.00</b>           |
| 2. The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to other year groups on  | <b>18<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 23.59</b>            |
| 3. The lottery for places from Senior Infants to 6th in 2025 will take place in the week beginning 28 <sup>th</sup> April and we will notify parents/guardians of their number drawn, by email, on or before Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2025. | <b>Week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025</b>      |
| 4. The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is   | <b>Within 5 working days of the offer being made*</b> |

**Note: applications made after the 18<sup>th</sup> April 2025 will be processed as late applications, the school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's admission policy.**

**\*Failure of an applicant to accept an offer within the prescribed period above will result in the offer being withdrawn.**

**Number of places available in Junior Infants in 2025/2026 school year**

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| The number of places available in junior infants is | <b>23</b> |
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**PART 2 - Admissions to the 2024/2025 school year**

**Information regarding the admission process for the Intake Group for Junior Infants for the 2024/2025 school year**

In respect of the 2024/2025 school year, the total number of applications for admission received by the school was 159

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| Number of places available:                              | 24  |        |          |
| Number of applications received: 195                     |   | Offers | Accepted |
| Number of Offers made and accepted under each criterion: | Criterion 1- siblings 4 years prior to 31/03/2023     | 17     | 16       |
|  | Criterion 2 – non-siblings 4years prior to 31/03/2023 | 21     | 14       |

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|---|---|---|---|
|   | Criterion 3 - siblings 4years post 31/03/2023 | 0 | 0 |
|   | Criterion 4 - all other applicants            | 0 | 0 |
|   | Late applicants                               | 0 | 0 |
| Total number of offers made   | 38  |   |   |
| Total number of offers accepted                                       | 24  |   |   |
| Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned. | 148   |   |   |

**Information regarding the admission process for the Intake Group for Senior Infants to 6<sup>th</sup> for the 2024/2025 school year**

| Class          | Number of places available | Number of applications received | Offers made | Offers accepted |
|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Senior infants | 0                          | 5                               | 0           | 0               |
| 1st class      | 0                          | 14                              | 0           | 0               |
| 2nd class      | 0                          | 12                              | 0           | 0               |
| 3rd class      | 0                          | 9                               | 0           | 0               |
| 4th class      | 0                          | 8                               | 0           | 0               |
| 5th class      | 0                          | 10                              | 0           | 0               |
| 6th class      | 0                          | 14                              | 0           | 0               |
| Totals         | 0                          | 72                              | 0           | 0               |