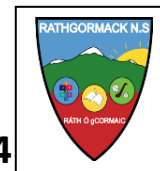


## RATHGORMACK N.S.

### Board of Management – Annual Report 2023/2024



#### Board of Management 2023/27

Chairperson	–	Myles Mitchell
Patron's Nominee	--	Fr. P.J. Fegan
Treasurer (Community Nominee)	-	John Kirwan
Secretary	–	Cathy Power
Teacher Nominee	–	Audrey Quigley
Parent Nominees	–	Collette Quigley
	--	David Vaughan
Community Nominee	--	Rosemary Kennedy

#### Policy Development

The following policies have been updated and ratified by Board

- Child Safeguarding
- Anti-Bullying
- Parental Complaints Procedure Policy

#### New Policies Developed

- Gaeilge Curriculum Plan
- English Curriculum Plan

#### School Ethos

We marked beginning of school year with our annual mass. Thanks to Fr. P.J.

Our whole school Christmas Nativity was "Oops a Daisy Angel".

15 pupils in 2<sup>nd</sup> class received the sacraments of Penance & First Holy Communion.

45 pupils from 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class celebrated their Confirmation in May in Clonea Church.

We finished up the year with an End of Year Mass & Graduation Mass for our 27 6<sup>th</sup> Class pupils on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

#### Curricular / Extra Curricular Development

Staff training continued on the New Primary Language Curriculum.

Training has begun for the new Primary Maths Curriculum.

Pupils had set dancing, gymnastics, swimming, hurling and football coaching for 6 weeks each. Separate skipping, boxercise & yoga workshops were organised for all classes. Music workshops with Heritage in Schools were held with all classes.

U13 boys / girls both got as far as Roinn B/ Roinn A Eastern football finals. U13 girls won the mini 7's Eastern football final.

U 13 boys and U13 girls both won their Roinn C Eastern Hurling / Camogie finals in Walsh Park.

6<sup>th</sup> class competed in the county debating competition.

The whole school participated in Food Dudes. We held Bike Day in May 2024.

See website / school Instagram page for further details and photos of school events and activities in each class.

#### Summer Works

We have applied for and been granted funds for a new sewerage and wastewater treatment system. Planning Permission has been sought. We hope to have get this work underway over the summer months.

#### Parents' Association

Thanks to PA for support and fundraising efforts throughout the year. They raised €640 via a clothing fundraiser. Our PA provided refreshments for our First Holy Communion group, our new infant parents evening and helped out with our Textbook Scheme again this year. They also organised a fun day at Christmas with bouncing castles for all classes, and organised school photographs for all families in the school, as well as photographs for Communion children. The PA organised and ran a very successful Book Fair for a week in March and raised over €1,000 for the school to spend on new library books.

#### Staffing and Enrolment

Ms Bridget Kiely & Ms Sarah Rockett will job share for the coming year. We wish Ms Fitzpatrick all the best as she finishes up in Rathgormack NS-she has secured a Permanent job in Stradbally NS.

We will have 11 new Junior Infants in September. 27 pupils are leaving in 6<sup>th</sup> class. We wish them all the best as they go on to secondary school.

**The school will reopen on August 29<sup>th</sup> 2024**