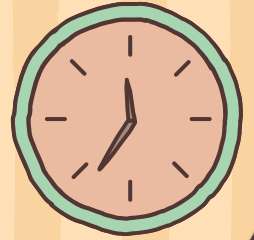
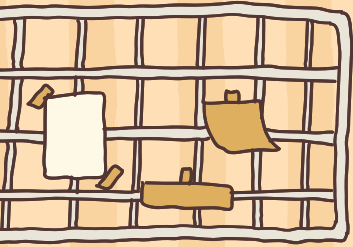


# Shannon's 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Newsletter

# Back to SCHOOL



## Dear Parents,

Welcome to a brand new school year! I am delighted to be teaching your child this year! This newsletter will provide you with important updates, upcoming events, and a glimpse of what's ahead in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Class.

*Shannon*

## What to Expect

- Engaging topics in Literacy, Gaeilge, Maths, SESE, SPHE, Learn Together, Music, PE and Drama.
- Short, focused homework 4 days a week (reading, spellings, maths).
- Active movement and mindfulness 'check-ins' to support emotional well-being.
- Teamwork, critical thinking, and communication skills through hands-on projects and group activities.
- Theme weeks, school events, class trips, and performances.
- Our behaviour system and how it works.

## 2nd Class Team

Class Teachers: Shannon & Maeve

Special Education Teacher: Gráinne

SNA : Barbara

## General

Website - [www.ralet.ie](http://www.ralet.ie) for class news, events, calendar, policies, etc.

Please check regularly for head-lice!

Parent volunteers to help with ICT, art, trips etc (Must be Garda Vetted).

## Important Days

- PE Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays
- Art day: Thursdays
- Golden Time: Fridays (Toys/Teddy bears are not to be brought into school for this!)

## Attendance

Regular school attendance is very important. If your child is absent, please submit a note on Aladdin.

Punctuality - 8:40-8.50am is check-in time for our class. We begin our Morning Message at 8.55am.

Collections - please give advance notice if your child is being collected by someone else.

## Homework

2nd Class (30 minutes max) -  
Work it Out / Spellings / Reading.

Every 4-6 weeks homework will be project-based.

Issues with homework - please let us know!

## office@ralet

If you would like to arrange a meeting with myself at any point, please get in contact with a note, email, or phone call to the office and an appointment can be arranged. :)

## Behaviour System



Focus on positive behaviour - Rainbow Behaviour Target  
Rewards: Individual, and whole class Dojo points which can buy prizes from my prize box!

Traffic light system:  
Every child starts on green.



Step 1 - verbal warning.



Step 2 - move name to orange. If behaviour improves - back to green.



Step 3 - if behaviour continues - name on red - miss 5 minutes of Golden Time on Friday.

If persisting with behaviour, 5 minutes in another room - behaviour recorded in behaviour book. Parents informed.

Every day is a fresh start!!!

## Healthy Eating

As per school policy, one small treat on a Friday.

Popcorn, crisps & hard sweets are not allowed.

No nuts or food containing nuts please!  
(Includes nut butters, nut bars, and Nutella.)

10 mins snack, 15 mins lunch

Students bring all rubbish home :)

## PE & Outdoor Play

- Suitable footwear and clothing.
- No crop-tops, no heels, no long earrings or necklaces.
- Layers for changing temperatures.
- Rain-jackets.



# Curriculum Information

## English & Gaeilge

Rigby Reading Programme  
Oral Language, Phonics,  
Writing, Spelling, Grammar  
Weekly DEAR Time  
Handwriting - cursive

Gaeilge: Abair Liom 2  
Oral language & comhrá,  
letter sounds, grammar,  
songs, games based on Themes.  
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## SESE

SESE: Explore With Me Programme  
(History, Geography & Science)

## Arts

Music: Into Music Programme

Art: Exploring the Colour Wheel  
through mixing, drawing & painting

Drama: Exploring our creative side,  
making connections, using our  
imagination!

## Mathematics

New Maths Curriculum - focus on playfulness,  
creativity, challenge, risk-taking, collaboration and  
opportunities for reasoning and solving real-life  
problems.

Programme - New Busy at Maths &  
Work it out (Homework)

Maths in real life - money, telling the  
time, measuring.

Term 1 Focus: Adding & Subtracting, regrouping, skip  
counting, Numbers & Symbols, Time

## SPHE & Learn Together

SPHE: Mindful Matters Programme  
(Social, Personal, & Health Education)

Learn Together: Learn Together Curriculum  
September's Value of the Month: Creativity

## PE & Outdoor Play

Focus on the development of  
movement, teamwork, and  
improving tactical awareness  
through possession games



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