



RATHKEEVIN NATIONAL SCHOOL
PARENT'S ASSOCIATION
October 2023

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Please find this letter in relation to Rathkeevin N.S Parents Association and the annual Voluntary Contribution (VC). I would like to provide you with some information on the role of the Parents Association and the purpose of the VC.

WHAT WE DO

The Parent's Association (PA) works with the Principal and all school members to build effective partnership of home and school, it is the structure through which we can work together for the best possible education for our children. We arrange extra activities, social events and contribute to school plans/ policies etc. A key role is fundraising throughout the year to help to bridge the considerable gap in funding allocated to the school to enrich the experience of every child.

In the last year we supported (as an example) the cost of buses, educational speakers, maintenance, Irish dancing, drumming workshops, sports equipment, confirmation tokens, and a new interactive white board for an additional classroom this September. We have organised great events such as a coffee morning for Juniors, Halloween raffle, Santa visit, Christmas cards, Cash for Clobber, Powerstown fun walk with Art competition and the Annual Fun evening in June. We plan to do it all again this year and hopefully more...

The PA is open to all to join and there is no big-time commitment. It is a great opportunity to meet other parents and participate in projects and activities being planned. Please contact us if interested.

WHAT IS THE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION USED FOR?

Your contribution is vital to the school to pay for necessary equipment and services to continue to give our children the best possible primary experience. Your contribution will 100% be returned to support school requests and events for our children.

The **Voluntary** Contribution is capped at €60 per family. We encourage families to pay online by ETF **BIC AIBKIE2D**
IBAN IE14AIBK93537934958223.

Please include the name and class of your eldest child attending the school. The contribution has remained unchanged for the last seven year and is reduced from €114 in 2009.

We appreciate how supportive families are to the fundraising events we run each year, buying raffle tickets, along with donations for prizes etc.

We wish to sincerely thank you in advance for your continued and important support for the work of the Parent's Association.

Yours Sincerely on behalf of the Parents Association,
Laura Ahearn – Chairperson
Aidan Foley – Treasurer
Elaine Fennessey – Secretary