

SCHOOL RULES ----- RATHBARRY NATIONAL SCHOOL

1. Pupils are required to have a respect for the truth.
2. Pupils are required to be obedient.
3. Pupils must show respect for all school property and equipment.
4. Pupils are expected to show respect for others and their possessions. This applies at class and at play. They are expected to respect the weaknesses and rights of others.
5. Rathbarry National School promotes good hygiene habits.
6. Rathbarry National School promotes a safe learning environment.
7. In the interest of safety, pupils are expected to line up and walk in an orderly way into class when the break is over. There should be no pushing or shoving when entering or leaving the school.
8. For health and safety, if the teacher has to leave the classroom, all pupils are to remain seated in their own place in the classroom, and be engaged silently in a study activity.
9. All pupils are encouraged to do homework nightly to the best of their ability and are responsible for their own homework. Parent(s) / Guardian(s) are invited to sign pupils' Homework Journal each night (ensuring that homework is done).
10. If a pupil is absent for any school based test, the test will not be repeated.
11. Pupils are encouraged to use polite language at all times and to avoid using unacceptable language.
12. Pupils are encouraged to refrain from fighting, name-calling and bullying.
13. In the interests of safety, pupils must play in the yard in a way that is safe for others. It is expected that older children should at all times protect and care for younger children. Pupils should involve others in their games and not leave them out.
14. Pupils are not allowed leave the school grounds during school hours without the permission of the teaching staff. Any pupil absenting himself/herself from school, during school hours, is required to bring a note signed by a parent/guardian, stating the reason for the absence. The child must be collected from class in the interests of safety.
15. Punctuality and regular attendance is expected.
16. As Rathbarry National School is a Health Promoting School it is expected that all pupils arrive at school with a nutritious lunch.

17. Chewing gum and glass bottles are forbidden in the interests of safety.

18. School Hours :

School opens officially 9.05 a.m.

Classes end each day: Junior and Senior Infants ----- 1.45 p.m.

Other Classes ----- 2.45 p.m.

The Board of Management accepts responsibility for the welfare of students from 9.05 a.m. to 2.45 p.m.

19. School Uniform: The school uniform consists of a crested jumper, white shirt or polo shirt, navy trousers / skirt / pinafore, navy or white tights / socks, black school shoes, navy track suit bottoms and navy shorts for summer wear.

20. Pupils are required to have their names on their uniforms, books, lunches and personal belongings.

21. The school phone is to be used by pupils in the case of an emergency only.

22. Pupils are not allowed to bring mobile phones to school.

23. The use of electronic games is prohibited in school and during school related activities

24. Trading cards are not allowed in school or on school related activities.

25. Rathbarry School is a no smoking zone.

26. In the interests of pupils' safety – jewellery and accessories are limited to one pair of stud earrings and one watch.