

Parents Association AGM

18th September 2018

Presentation Building, 7.30pm

Attendance:, Carol Morrin, Brenda Byrne, Oonagh McCormack, Lorraine O'Toole, Caroline Meenagh, Mary Aucharaz, Donal Fleming, Barbara O'Brien, Tara Reilly, Kate Wludarska, Aoife Keegan, Claire Hall, Linda Lambert, Sinead Deans, Fiona Searing, Maria Flanagan, Lorraine Moran, Lisa Higgins, Suzanne Morley

Apologies: Martina Quinn

- Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and gave a description of the role of the parents association in the school and of the fundraising projects the parents association are involved in namely, Lions Club Walk, Fun Runs, Christmas Card Project, Easter Raffle. The money raised from these projects is given back to the school and in the previous school year the parents association paid for the Friends for Life Project, a trip for the Sunshine and Rainbow Suites, selection boxes and Santa visit, ice pops for the end of year fun run, donation to the homework club, communion and graduation parties and graduation presents among other things.
- Treasurer gave an update on finances – no payments were made since the last meeting, an outline of the annual expenses was detailed
- The old committee stepped down and the new committee was voted in, the members are:
 - Chairperson: Carol Morrin
 - Co-Chairperson: Caroline Meenagh
 - Secretary: Brenda Byrne
 - Co-Secretary: Lorraine Moran
 - Treasurer: Oonagh McCormack
 - Co-Treasurer: Mary Aucharaz
 - PRO: Martina Quinn
- It was decided the Christmas card project would go ahead, it is time consuming therefore volunteers will be needed.
- Volunteers are also needed for Breakfast Club, please contact the PA if you could help
- Mr Fleming then addressed the meeting and thanked all the attendees and highlighted the importance of the parents association in the school and their valuable contribution to the school.
 - There will again this year be a shortage of substitute teachers which may result in classes being split up in the event of teachers absence

- The language in-service day will take place on 8th October, the school is taking this day early in the year so the changes can be implemented
 - Varied PE activities are in place for this year to cater for all children's interests
 - A note on extra-curricular activities will be issued next week
 - Student Council is again running by Ms O'Callaghan and Ms Hutchinson and is a great way of getting feedback from the students
 - The first educational tour is taking place tomorrow to the Ploughing Championships and it is hoped by the end of the year all classes will have an educational tour
 - A musical will take place this November, it will be Robin Hood and is organized by Mr O'Neill and Ms J Boyle
 - The new money payment online scheme has been well received
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- AOB:
 - The council is drafting new plans for Kildare Town and Carol has submitted on our behalf
 - Home Liaison Officer will be appointed in the next two weeks
 - Parking is again an issue with illegal parking and inability to use pavements
 - Certificates for good attendance were discussed and may be issued at year end awards night
 - A query was put forward that Microsoft Office be taught at the school but is not feasible at present

The next meeting will be on 1st October 2018 at 7.30pm

If you would like anything added to agenda, please email the parents association, ideally a week beforehand, if possible.

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