



HOLY FAITH PARENTS' ASSOCIATION AGM

Tuesday 28th September 2021

Remotely – via Teams Link

Dear Parents, Guardians

As a parent or guardian of a child in Holy Faith Secondary School Clontarf, you are automatically a member of the Parents' Association. The current committee would like to invite you to the AGM, the agenda for which is as follows:

- 1. WELCOME**
- 2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**
- 3. MATTERS ARISING**
- 4. TREASURER'S REPORT**
- 5. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**
- 6. AOB**

Time and date of next regular Meeting

Tuesday 5th October at 8pm – All Welcome

2021/2022 PA Meetings:

- Tuesday 5th October 2021
- Wednesday 3th November 2021
- Tuesday 7th December 2021
- Wednesday 12th January 2022
- Tuesday 1st February 2022
- Wednesday 2nd March 2022
- Tuesday 5th April 2022
- Wednesday 4th May 2022



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AGM 5th October 2020

By Zoom (76 attendees)

Welcome:

Julie Way (chairperson) welcomed parents to the AGM. She made a presentation covering the functions, events and fund raising activities undertaken by the PA throughout the year, including the Debs reception, careers nights, 1st year parents night, book fairs, table quiz, parents lunch and assistance at school events, eg. TY show, graduation etc. She noted that the last event in 2020 was the table quiz.

She drew attention to the list provided to parents of item funded by the PA for the school during the past year, including workshops, science, music, PE and HomeEc equipment.

Although these usual events are unlikely to be held in 2020/21, the PA is looking at some alternative fund- raising and a social event. Additionally, we will be looking at how the PA can provide additional support to the school throughout the restrictions, additional funds or parent expertise. There are usually 9 meetings per year, on alternative Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 8 pm in the school. It is a very friendly and inclusive environment.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Louise McKenna read the minutes of the 2019 AGM. Approved and seconded by Clarissa Bryans and Colleen Savage.

MATTERS ARISING:

None

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Income and Expenditure account for the year to 30 June 2020 was presented by the treasurer, Clarissa Bryans. The main fund raisers for the year were the table quiz, the book fairs and the lunch. And for 2019/20, the main outgoings were the Debs reception and the contribution to the school.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

DG welcomed parents. DG presented a summary of a report made to Le Cheile.

The summer work usually undertaken by the school was replaced by planning for the DES guidelines with regard to social distancing and protocols. The major challenges have been IT provision – in March the school closed with no notice and time to plan for online teaching. The school broadband is due to be upgraded next March, and the Principal requested that parents contact their local TDs/other contacts and request that this planned upgrade is brought forward as a matter of urgency, as the school has had to resort to live streaming of classes in order to maintain the 1m social distancing set out by the department. The size of the building and the effort to keep all students in the premises has been an issue. The School has secured use of the parish centre going forward and intends to locate senior classes there to free up space for the smaller classes in junior cycle. Each year group has their own issues with the restrictions.

The issue of live streaming to pupils at home is not yet resolved. The school has spoken directly with the Des on this matter and stressed that it is important that it be resolved. The Des has identified child protection / etiquette and other issues that can arise from streaming to a pupil's home. The school has provided draft protocols to the DES.

Audited accounts for the school have been submitted to Le Cheile Trust.

AOB

Maire Nic Cleiridh presented a slideshow of photos taken recently of the school and the class and hall layout, safety measures, signage etc. It was noted by several that in spite of the very difficult conditions, the girls are largely happy and getting on with it.

Several questions were put on the chat – the Principal answered many of them – a complete list of these questions has been forwarded to the school.

A request for offers of class reps was made and several have offered.

The new committee will be elected at the next PA Meeting – anyone interested in taking on a post/shadowing – please contact a member of the PA.

Time and date of next regular Meeting Tuesday, 13th October at 8pm.