



## **HOLY FAITH PARENTS' ASSOCIATION**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**6<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

#### **Review of November fundraising lunch**

- €6,000 raised including donation to UNICEF of €1,500
- Speaker was excellent and the event a huge success
- Discussed numbers and venue for next year
- Agreed St Annes would remain the venue for 2024
- Sharing raffle through school app was successful bringing in €750

#### **Newsletter**

- Credit to Jennifer and Yvonne Henry for compiling
- Discussed suggestions for next edition (April / May)
- Looking for ideas for past pupil feature – someone who has taken a circuitous route?

#### **Quiz**

- Next event – 7<sup>th</sup> March – will discuss at meeting in new year
- Main areas of work
  - sponsorship
  - publicity
  - organisation
  - set-up
  - ticket sellers

#### **Principals Report - Deirdre Gogarty**

- Invited to apply for pilot scheme for solar panels – closing date Feb
- Applied for STEM learning grant
- Consultant appointed for lift – hopeful to have by March
- Input will be required from PA on attendance policy and strategy – dept report 10% have issues around attendance (COVID, family, WFH) – Grants available from department
- Deirdre reported that that BOM acknowledged PA fundraising efforts and new date will be arranged for PA to meet with the BOM
- Online process for school application is transitioning in this year and going well (112 intake per year)

- Noted additional class in current 5th class in Belgrove school and have applied to the dept for an additional classroom for incoming year 2025/26
- Discussed likelihood of oral exams being held over easter.

### **Treasurers report**

- Transfer from previous treasure Clarissa to Liz is still being resolved with accounts - School will cover in interim.

### **Other**

- Discussion around how to get parents involved in PA
- Share reasons why parents you should come to the PA
  - Input from Principal/deputy principal
  - Find out what's going on
  - Ask questions
  - Volunteering good fun

### **Upcoming dates**

- March 7<sup>th</sup> 2024 - Table Quiz
- 19-22 March – TY Show

### **Next PA Meetings**

- Tues Jan 9th
- Wed Feb 7th
- Tues March 5th
- Wed April 10th
- Tues May 7th