

Holy Faith Parents Association Meeting Tuesday, 5th Sept 2023 at 8.00pm

Present: Louise McKenna (Chair) Kara Cullen (Vice Chair), Clarissa Bryans (Treasurer), Jennifer Rothwell (Communications Officer)

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes of the last PA meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

No change to the bank balance since end of June, €5416. €14k was transferred to the school in year 22/23.

Principal's Report:

- 119 girls started in 1st year this year
- 1hr classes have started and will be on trial for 2 years
- Staff in-service will take place on oct 12th and school will be closed to pupils
- 6th yr mentors and prefects are in place to help incoming 1st years
- School have a full complement of teachers this year, unlike many schools locally
- Leaving Cert results very good this year. Papers were available for viewing and 5 students came to the school to view their papers
- Two 6th yr students are in Finland representing Ireland in Tae Kwon Do
- The books under the stage have been removed by 'better World books' and have been sent to the 3rd World
- Compound Martial Arts Self-defence classes have started for TY students
- School trip upcoming include
 - $\circ \quad \text{Delphi for } 3^{rd} \text{ years}$
 - o Carlingford Adventure Centre for TY students
 - Greece for 6th years
- New school gym is complete and will be available for use by LC PE students
- Information evening for 4th, 5th and 6th class parents and students to take place on Sept 14th. PA to be available to answer questions

Chairmans Report:

- 6,000Money given by PA to school has been used for
 - 1. Self-defence workshops
 - 2. Gym
 - 3. Sewing Machines
- Articles for newsletter required.
- Debs reception to take place on Sept 21st helpers required. Message to be sent to PA Committee WhatsApp
- Speaker for AGM will Peter Cosgrove

AOB:

Discussion re 1 hour classes. Ms Molloy explained that students will still adequate hours as per curriculum . Requirement for JC English, Irish and Maths = 240 hours. Students will receive 255 hours. Requirement for option subjects = 200 hours.

Next PA Meeting: Wednesday 11th October

Upcoming important dates

Oct 24th – 1st year Parents Evening

Nov 10th 2023 - Parents Lunch

March 7th - Table Quiz

2023/2024 PA Meetings

Wed Oct 11th 2023 Tues Nov 7th Wed Dec 6th Tues Jan 5th 2024 Wed Feb 7th Tues March 5th Wed April 10th Tues May 7th .