

Holy Faith Parents Association
Meeting Tuesday 7th December 2021 at 8.00pm via Teams

Present: Quorum present. Máire Ní Chléirigh (Chair). Trish Birch (Secretary).

Apologies: Jennifer Rothwell (Communications).

Chairpersons Remarks: The vacancy for Vice Chair has been filled by Kara Cullen a second-year parent, nominated by Chair and seconded by Secretary.

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

Treasurer's Report:

- Ticket sales for the fundraiser lunch went directly to the school. Profit €2,500.
- Cash donations from Goodbody Stockbroker, Karen Mulvaney (KM Property) and Nolan's Supermarket.
- Balance in the PA Account of €2,442.
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Principal's Report:

- Workshop held on Anti-bullying for 1st & 2nd years, followed with questionnaire.
- Preliminary audited accounts for the year ending 31 August to be presented to BOM. A/C difficult this year with income good but education expenses.
- Number of posts at middle management, 3rd year head is Ms. Peppard and 1st Year head is Ms. Sheerin. Student voice/council is Ms Ryan, teaching and learning / best practice is Mr. Ryan plus several other appointments for post holders.
- School has been invited again to take part in the PISA the OECD study of numeracy and literacy for 2022 (next September).
- Following on from a survey with parents, application submitted to the DOE for additional accommodation (not to increase enrolment) in terms of labs, kitchens and general-purpose area for relaxation and lunchtime.
- Website is being updated along with the school App.
- School had to report to the board about Covid absences amongst students and staff including substitute teachers and its impact.
- Two further students from first year elected to Student Council. BOM has extended an invitation to the SC and will extend to PA to meet with the Bord.
- Debs follow up – two dates 6th and 7th February held.

Recent events:

- Lunch was a resounding success, thanks to the Golf Club for their great service, to the sponsors, local businesses and our own Jennifer Rothwell for the silk face masks.
- Proved a great fundraiser and will do it again next year.
- Thank you extended also to the team who worked on the event.

Upcoming events:

- Debs – two dates 6th and 7th February on hold, school to confirm date. Looking for suitable venue to host a parents evening for the girls going to the debs.

- 1st and 2nd year parents' events still being considered when a suitable venue and date are decided on. Celine to try the Rugby Club.
- Students have put together a video of the school which can be used for incoming students and it is hoped that we may be able to bring new students into the school in small group including some pods from Belgrove School.
- Table quiz set for 10th March. Fundraising and sponsorship will happen in New Year with volunteers from PA Committee. (Maire)
- Transition Year Show – Ms. Molloy reported that rehearsals were continuing in the Clasach Theatre and will confirm date when available.
- May book fair TBC – maybe outdoors in May (makes €1,500 approximately). Need to look at ways of managing / distributing books after sale.
- Graduation: Friday 20th May 2.00pm (Church booked).
- Careers Events: TBC.

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- Lunch for Alumni – Talk after Christmas and maybe something for past pupils to look at and PA could be a bridge for this. L.McD
- May consider having an Alumni section in the new website. MM and LMCD.
- 2025 will be 75th Anniversary of school – start thinking of ways to mark the event.

Class reps:

1 A	Rachel McGaughy
1 B	
1 C	Tony Fallon
1 D	Karen Nolan
2 A	Sinead Roche/Lauren Lipparoni
2 B	Caitriona Farrelly/ Annemarie O'Connell
2 C	Deirdre Duke
2 D	Kara Cullen
3 A	Laurentiu Predoi
3 B	Eileen Doherty
3 C	Lisa Persse
3 D	Geraldine Moore
TY	Elaine Herbert
	Colleen Savage
	Clarissa Bryans
5 TH YEAR	Trish Birch
	Cora McHugh
6 TH YEAR	Alison Byrne
	Julie Redden

PA Meetings:

- Tuesday 1st February 2022
- Wednesday 2nd March 2022
- Tuesday 5th April 2022
- Wednesday 4th May 2022