



ST. MICHAEL'S NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME

We would like to welcome you to our first Parents Association Newsletter which we hope you will find informative.

As you are aware the parents association is the structure through which parents /guardians in the school can work together for the best possible education for their children and as a parent/guardian with a child in the school you are automatically a member.

OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Parents Association AGM was held in Halla na Saoirse on Monday 19th September.

The following committee has been elected:

Chairperson: Mark Moloney
Vice Chairperson: Mary Williams
Secretary: Judith Ryan
Treasurer: Natalie Clements
Vice Treasurer: Bernard Brennan
P.R.O.: Trish Hennessy
Vice P.R.O.: Margaret Griffin

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held in Halla na Saoirse on Thursday 27th October at 7.30pm. Our meetings are a great opportunity for you to come and meet some of the other parent's and bring forward any suggestions you feel may benefit the children and the school. We look forward to meeting you on the night!

PLANNED ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOL FOR 2011/2012

- This year we hope to fund new science and Maths equipment for the school.
- To purchase new team Jerseys for the girls.
- Last year the Parent's Association funded or part funded bus costs for school trips helping to significantly reduce the cost of these trips. This year we would like to provide the same assistance to help keep the costs down for the parents.



*Lining in Halla na Saoirse which was funded by the Parent's Association.
This enables the children to play a variety of sports in the hall and has proved to be a great addition.*

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PLANNED & UPCOMING EVENTS

BAG PACK IN SUPERVALU

A bag pack has been arranged for Saturday the 15th of October from 10am to 8pm. We hope that the proceeds from the bag pack will fund the new Jerseys for the girls team. We hope to run 2 hour shifts during the day but if you can give any of your time on this day please contact Trish Hennessy on 086 - 8549990.

CHRISTMAS FAIR SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER

We will be holding our Christmas Fair on Sunday 4th December. We have run a very successful Fair for the last two years and this year we would like to build on the success of the event. We will be meeting in the next few weeks to start planning. A note will be sent out to inform everyone of the date and time of the meeting.

THE SUCCESS OF OUR FUNDRAISING RELIES SOLELY ON THE HELP OF THE PARENTS AND AS THE MONEY RAISED BENEFITS ALL OF OUR CHILDREN WE ARE ALWAYS GRATEFUL OF ALL HELP AND SUPPORT.



One of the whiteboard funded by the Parent's Association.

NOTES FOR 2011/2012

YOUR SUGGESTIONS

The Parent Association are always very interested to hear from you with any ideas you may have. So over the coming weeks we be in contact with you looking for all your suggestions.

NEW COMMUNITY WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

We understand that notes don't always make it out of the bottom of the school bags! So this year we hope to have notices of our meeting and fundraising events not only in the local papers but also on Clerihan's new community website clerihan.ie, and through their Clerihan Facebook page. So why not log on and keep up to date with all of Clerihan's community news!

INCENTIVES RUNNING IN THE SCHOOL

The school is running a number of incentives which parents can assist with. They are collecting Tesco vouchers and Box Tops for books from the Nestle cereal boxes. It is only something small but if you could drop any of the above vouchers into the school they would be put towards getting books and equipment for the school.

USED PHONES

Just a reminder to parents that the school will be resuming the collection of used phones in aid of the Jack and Jill Foundation in the coming weeks. The school has previously run a very campaign obtaining interactive whiteboards for the school. So if you have any used phones at home we would be very grateful if you could donate them to the school.

FUNDRAISING

In the current economic climate fundraising is a little bit more challenging so if anyone has any new fundraising ideas that you think would be successful for us we would be delighted to hear from you. Likewise if you think of something that would complement an existing fundraiser we would love to hear your ideas.

LINKS OF INTEREST

www.npc.ie

www.clerihan.ie

<http://stmichaelsnsclerihan.blogspot.com>



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