# An Evening for Parents Programme

Principal's Welcome

► St Louis CS Parents' Association AGM

Interval for refreshments and chat

"Cyber Bullying & Internet Safety" talk by Jeremy Pagden

# Welcome Parents & Guardians St. Louis CS

Thursday 1st December 2016

# Overview

### What is the purpose of the Parents Association?

► To provide a structure through which the parents and guardians of St Louis Community School can work together and in collaboration with School Management, to ensure the best possible education for all children.

#### Who is a member of the Parents Association?

- All parents and guardians of students attending St. Louis Community School have automatic membership of the Association:
- ▶ The parent body is the Parents' Association
- ► The Committee is elected every two years by the Parents' Association membership at the AGM
- ► The Executive Officers (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer) are elected by the Committee at their first meeting

# Overview

#### What is the role of the Committee?

► To represent the parent body and to manage the business of the Parents' Association in accordance with the Constitution.

#### What is NOT the role of the Committee?

► The Association will not involve itself in representation on matters involving individual students or matters relating to the internal administration of the school.

# St Louis CS Parents' Association 2014 - 2016

- ▶ New committee elected at 2014 AGM
- Committee serves a two year term
- ► There are currently 14 elected members plus:
- ► The 2 Parents' Nominees to the Board of Management
- Officers were elected at first meeting after AGM
- Principal and Deputy Principal are invited to attend meetings
- Committee met 7 times last year
- ► Meetings usually last one hour
- ► AGM 2016 will see election of a new Committee

# Financial Statement 2015 - 2016

Date	Item	Credit	Debit	
19/11/15	Balance (Cash & Bank)	951.66		
27/11/15	John Dwyer - Speaker		175.00	
27/11/16	Expenses for Meeting		34.56	
31/12/15	Notified Fees		15.00	
28/1/16	Expenses Midwest Radio		40.00	
29/2/16	Donations Received	76.00		
4/3/16	Notified Fees		16.80	
12/4/16	Workshop & Expenses		260.00	
12/4/16	Kiltimagh Giants Basketball Team		100.00	
6/7/16	Notified Fees		16.20	
3/8/16	Notified Fees		15.00	
3/9/16	Petty Cash	11.30		
1/9/16	Balance Cash & Bank	366.40		

# Parent Representation & Achievements

- ► AGM October 2015:
  - ► Talk by Shane Martin January 2016 on positive mental health
  - ► Talk by Laura Coleman April 2016 on "Talking with your Teens"
  - ► Talk by John Doran September 2016 on "Ways to Well-being"
- Advisory role in the development of the school's Healthy Eating Policy - Flag raised October 2016
- Two Committee members contribute to the Health Promotion School Committee on an ongoing basis
- Represent parents once a year at a BoM meeting

- Organised parents to assist with supervision of rehearsals and performances of TY Shows
- Parental assistance with day trips and team events
- In conjunction with teaching staff & Student Council explore ways to reduce the weight of school bags
- Assisted with marshalling of Cycle for Suicide

# Aims 2016 - 2019

- Continue to represent parents for the benefit of ALL children in the school
- Continue to raise the profile of the Parents' Association within the school community and encourage more parents to get involved
- ► To assist the school with achieving their aims as per the School Mission Statement
- ▶ To have advisory role in the development of school policies
- ▶ To organise talks/workshops on appropriate topics for parents
- ► To provide supervisory support where possible
- To work in close collaboration with the Principal and Deputy Principal to achieve further integration of the Parents' Association into the school community

## Thank You!

- All the Committee members for their work, commitment and positivity
- To Lorna Elms stepping down from the committee after 2 years of service
- ► To Mr Doherty, Ms Lyons, the teaching staff & the BoM for their continued support of the PA
- To Jeanette & Renagh in the school office for their help with PA activities
- ▶ To Declan Morgan for his talk here this evening
  - ► To all parents and guardians here this evening thank you for coming!

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