

## PTA Committee Approved Report 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

**Present:** Claudine Nolan, Paula Pigott, Claire Kelly, Katharina Kelly, Patricia Greene, Siobhán Walsh, Susan Nic Réamoinn, Jackie Roe, Niall Brack,

**Apologies:** Audrey Byrne, Therese Gamble, Liz Jackson, Lisa Donnelly,

### Minutes:

1. The minutes from 11.04.18 were reviewed and amendments noted.
2. The Treasurer gave an update on the bank account. There has been no change in the balance as there has been no activity since the last meeting.  
A new a/c is being opened with AIB in Supervalu, Lucan. Statements will be issued to the school address.
3. Principal was unable to attend the meeting so there was no principal's report to present.
4. There was no Board of Management report to present. BOM rep advised that there should be one to present for the next meeting.
5. PTA Activities. Chair introduced this by reading through the purpose of the PTA as per the Constitution.
  1. Coffee morning:  
Currently being run by the Schoolbook Savings Scheme but will be handed back. A parent has volunteered to help out. It was agreed that the coffee morning will run every Wednesday in May in line with the Schoolbook Savings Scheme. It was also agreed that the set up will happen at 8am on the Wednesday morning.
  2. Healthy Eating / Active Week:  
The Sponsored Walk is to be tied into this event. The letter to parents and sponsorship form were presented. PTA approved them with the suggestion that the letter be double sided so that the school logo appears on the back of the form.  
Teacher rep advised that the teachers are putting together a timetable for the week. A parent/child yoga session was also suggested.  
It was agreed that a blind tasting and 'class fruit salads' contributed by parents should be considered.  
**Action:** BOM to confirm the date of Healthy Eating week with Principal.  
**Action:** Approval to be sought from Principal for sponsored walk letter.  
**Action:** Teacher rep to feed yoga idea back to teacher committee.  
**Action:** PTA to follow up with a parent volunteers.  
**Action:** A rota was agreed to collect sponsorship money from classrooms.  
**Action:** Teachers to be asked if they would support the class fruit salad idea.
  3. New Parents Evening:  
No date has been communicated for this event.  
**Action:** BOM to follow up with Principal.

4. Clothing Collection:  
This will be held in June, date to be confirmed.  
**Action:** PTA to research best prices per kg and confirm that clothing will be responsibly handled.
  5. Graduation Breakfast:  
This will be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June.
  6. Race Night:  
Group was updated on the cost and option details of running this type of event.
  7. Noticeboard/Website:  
The parent noticeboard is to be moved to the wall between the two glass doors at the entrance.  
**Action:** Principal to decide when this will be done.  
There was a discussion around the possibility of the school having a Facebook page to send out updates to the parent body.  
**Action:** BOM rep to take the suggestion back to the Board.
  8. New ideas:  
School Christmas cards as seen in other schools, where each child paints their own picture and these are then reproduced into packs of cards.  
**Action:** PTA to research the cost and lead time for this.
  9. Teacher rep told the committee that she would be able to supply a 10 month calendar in September with the teacher and school activities laid out.
6. School Led Activities:
1. Year Book: An update was given on the progress. Teachers will begin taking the individual child photographs from 25<sup>th</sup> March. Teachers also looking after the school sports team photos.  
**Action:** T-Shirts to be ordered from last year's supplier.
  2. Insurance Scheme:  
This item is to be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.  
**Action:** BOM rep to follow up with the Board on the impact of the move towards a cashless school on PTA fundraising activities.
7. AOB
1. Table Tennis: A request was brought to the committee to purchase 20 new bats for the PE classes.  
**Action:** BOM rep to put the request before the Board.
  2. Gardening Club: The committee was updated on the recent activities. The benches around the school are being painted yellow by some of the children. There is also a lot of work to do in the garden. The gardening club would like the parents to get involved. A Harvest Festival was suggested to tie in with the garden.  
**Action:** Gardening club to put together a list of jobs that need to be done and the committee to spread the word among parents.
8. Date set for the next meeting: **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May @ 7:30pm.**

Committee meetings will take place in Seomra Bianca from now on.