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St Patrick's N.S. Parents Association Newsletter



Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of the first, the Parents Association would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy, funfilled and safe Halloween break.

We would like to thank you all for your continued support over the last year. It has been a great year in terms of participation and fundraising. The Christmas Fair last year was yet again a brilliant success. A huge amount of planning and work goes into this event each year. Your participation and attendance on the day, helps contribute to the success it has become. We would love to see as many people as possible getting involved with the Christmas Fair this year. We had a great response to our callout for volunteers for this year's fair at the recent information meetings. Thanks to all who have put their names forward. You will be contacted soon by the organising committee, so stay tuned.

Thanks to Mary Power and all the teachers and staff of St. Patrick's N.S. We hope you all enjoy a well deserved mid-term break too.

And finally, we would like to take this opportunity to pass on our best wishes and huge thanks to Colette Hoban, our outgoing Chairperson. Colette had been a member of the PA Committee since its formation, over 12 years ago. Colette had worked so hard over the years in all aspects of the PA Committee and its activities. She was so dedicated to the school and the PA and always had the best interests of the children at heart in everything she did. We will miss her knowledge, her positive attitude and her wicked sense of humour.

We wish Colette all the best in the future. Colette, you will be missed.

On this note, may we take the opportunity to congratulate our new Chairperson, Sabine Krabbe, and welcome all our new members who have recently joined. We look forward to working together for another productive year.

The PA Committee

Coffee Morning

On Friday 22nd June the PA were delighted to host this annual event to thank all the parent helpers who give so generously of their time to help out with different events within the school. It's a great chance to get together at the end of the year. Thank you to all who attended.

Stay Safe, Parent Information Evening

The Stay Safe programme is a personal safety skills programme designed for use with primary school children.

The PA, in conjunction with the school, hosted a very well attended and very informative presentation for parents in April. More information is available on staysafe.ie

PA Annual AGM

Thank you to all who attended our recent AGM. We had a great turnout and it was lovely to see so many new faces and such eagerness to get involved.

SAVE THE DATE - CHRISTMAS FAIR SUNDAY 25TH NOVEMBER!

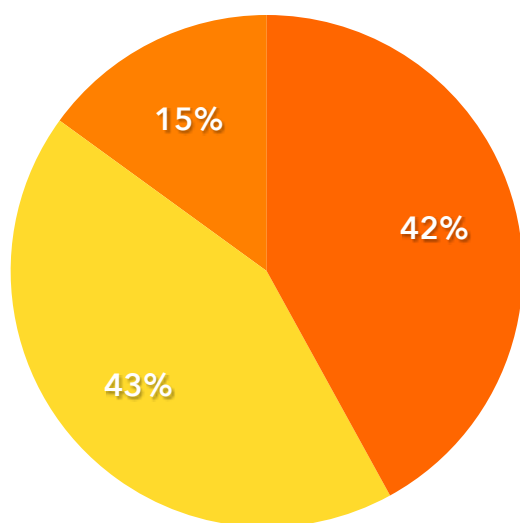
Parent Survey

The PA, in conjunction with the school, surveyed the parent body recently to get your opinions on a number of items.

There were over 200 responses, thank you so much for your participation.

This was your opportunity to influence a lot of things, ranging from school policy to events that we organise. The full survey results will be available on the PA Section of the School website. Your opinion on the changes to the school uniform policy are below:

Uniform Policy



- Retain Current Policy
- All school to wear tracksuits only
- Infants to wear tracksuits only, first class upwards remain as current policy

St Patrick's N.S. Parents' Association is a member of the National Parents Council Primary. Please see their website npc.ie for useful information and publications for parents. They also operate a helpline for parents on 01-8874477



Congratulations to the winner of our parent survey competition:

David Plunkett

We hope you enjoy the Tayto Park tickets!

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