

ARD SCOIL NA MARA PARENTS COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING.

TUESDAY 24th OCTOBER 2017.

Attendance : Jane Sheerin, Jane Sinnott, Lily Murphy, Angela Walshe, Emer O Kane, Martin Kerins, Kevin Murphy, Jenny Evans, Emma Connolly, Ann Hennebry, Frances O'Connor, Ellie O'Dwyar, Joanne Wilmott, Nadia Kuhieva, Jennifer Mulally Kelleher, Lisa Casey.

Apologies from : Billy Walsh, Martina O'Brien (Martina has stepped down from Parents Council this year due to other commitments).

Jane Sinnott stepped down as Chairperson and Angela Walshe is elected New Chairperson.

Lily Murphy staying on this year as Secretary.

Eimear O'Kane stepped down as Treasurer and Nadia Kuhieva was elected new Treasurer.

Angela Walshe opened Meeting.

School Report ;-

Ms Ann Hennebry spoke about :-

The organisation of new School Bus Service which is due to commence in November.

Bus Survey response very poor.

Cost per week : €15.00 per week.

Catherine Organ organising the Bus Service . Contact no; : 085-1113974. Kavanaghs Bus doing route. Butlerstown at the minute running a school bus to Ard Scoil. Fairways Coaches doing run. Cost €15.00/ per week. Issues raised at meeting regarding cost of Tramore route as it the same as Butlerstown route and they have a longer distance to travel.

Going to issue invite to Catherine Organ to attend next Parents Council Meeting.

Public meeting being held in the school on Wed 1st November at 7pm regarding the new Bus Service.

Catherine Organ and representatives from JJ Kavanaghs will be present to answer all queries.

India Trip. 9 Students travelled to India on October 24th for 10 days.

Funds raised : €11,000 (including walk)

Spanish Exchange.

Mr. Kelleher and Ms Finucane travelled to Castilla La Mancha in Spain on October 20th for 10 days with 25 transition and 5th year students.

Fundraising

Bag Pack to be booked with Supervalu before Christmas, either Thursday or Saturday.
Asking Emily Campbell can Transition year students help out. Jane Sheerin organising with Supervalu.

Table Quiz to be organised after Christmas. Talks on advertisement been improved for it , e.g, Put on WLR and put in Tramore Notes in Munster Express/News & Star. Also Improve Prizes as a lot Of complaints last year.

Also to get **definitive purpose** for fund raising from School .

Other Business : -

6th Year Parent Teacher Meeting which was held 19th October'17, duration of meetings with some teachers went on over 20 minutes which resulted in a lot of queues. Can teacher limit time per meeting ?

Talk regarding End of Year book being only for 6th years due to the cost of publishing it and posting it to every student. Is it Sponsered ? Is it being funded by Parents Council ? Could money that is spent on it be put to subsidising new Bus Service ?

Issue raised regarding difficulty getting new P.E Half zip Hoodies ?

Next Meeting : Wednesday 15th November'17 at 6.45pm.

Chairperson : _____ **Date :** _____

Secretary : ----- **Date :** _____

