

Minutes of Donacarney Parents Association AGM

Date: Wednesday 21st November 2018 @ 8.00pm

Location: Realt Na Mara GNS – Staff Room

Attendees:

Eimear Donnelly	Chairperson
Ruth Sherry	Treasurer
Michelle Thorne	Secretary
Gemma Carton	
Fiona McDonald	
Jackie Grant	
Emmanuel Tayong	

Items Discussed:

PA Finances

- General Introduction and welcome by the Chairperson to all whom attended.
- Treasurer gave a summary of the accounts for the previous year.
- PA covers the annual costs of some events such as the Beach Walk (refreshments), Communion Party and Teacher Gifts.
- Approx €2,200 needs to remain in the PA Bank account each year to cover the above noted.
- PA to release funds to both schools to go towards the following:
 - Girls School – Library Refurbishment
Blinds for Gym Hall
 - Boys School – Hand Ball Wall
Quarter running track
- Full set of accounts available for review on request from the PA.

Coffee Morning

- A coffee morning for newly arrived parents to the school was held in the Sunflower Café on Friday 12th October @ 10am. The coffee morning was a great success giving parents the opportunity to link in with their local community.
- PA Coffee morning for all parents to be held on Friday 15th February 2019. Notification of coffee morning to be included in spring 2019 Newsletter. All parents welcome.

Beach Walk 2018

- The annual Beach Walk took place on Sunday 21st October @ 2pm. It was a huge success raising €7,711. Homework passes were provided on the day and “cool beanz” vouchers were given to those who collected sizable sponsorship. A huge thank you to all who volunteered in the organising of this event and also to those who participated.

Fund Raising

- Christmas Jumper Day will be held on Friday 14th December. Pupils will be asked to make a donation of €2.00.

PA to ask both schools to issue a reminder text to families a couple of day prior to Christmas Jumper day.

- A suggestion was made to possibly do bag packing in one of the local supermarkets. PA to review in the New Year and compile a proposal.
- The PA is always looking for new members to join. New ideas and a new perspective are always welcome

Newsletter

- PA to organise final newsletter of 2018.

Appointment of new PA Secretary

- The secretary of Donacarney PA has stepped down after 3 year's of service. On behalf of the PA we would like to offer our sincere thanks for all the help and support provided.
- Gemma Carton and Fiona McDonald were voted in as the new secretaries of the PA.

The next PA meeting and will be held on **Wednesday 16th January 2019** in the girl's school staff room at 8pm. All are welcome.

Regards
Gemma Carton
Secretary
Donacarney Parents Association