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Minutes Coiste na dTuismitheoirí Meeting

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I láthair/present:	Louise Anderson, Lulu O'Mahony, Darren McGiolla Bhríde, Susan Grogan, Leonie Uí Bhroin, Feargal McKenna Daragh Reynolds, P. Rita, Julie Boyle
Leithscéalta/apologies:	Fiona Roche, Louise Cahill, , Karen O'Neill, M. Eoin, Lindsay Miller, Emma Nolan, Edel Mitchell Mulholland, June Prior

<p>Welcome/Minutes of last meeting approved NPC Training scheduled for tonight was cancelled by NPC due to trainer ill health. Provisionally rescheduled for Wednesday 13th June. Discussion re whether it is necessary that late in the year or whether we should reschedule for September when there may be new Coiste members on board. To be decided at April meeting.</p> <p>Correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of emails received in response to EGM – all forwarded to Coiste group for info and responded to by Louise A. • Parent offered help with Fire Audit Review – Louise A forwarded to P. Rita • Louise A mentioned an article in the Wicklow Times re recent fire. • EGM minutes being completed. Hope to issue to parents by Easter. 	Louise A
<p>1. Principals Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P. Rita is going through correspondance from parents in response to Fire and responding to same • Communication received from parents stating they are happy with new weekly updates re Fire Remedial Works • Currently preparing a letter with further updates to go home this Friday (16/03/18) • Latest update re Fire Safety Remedial Works: builders have moved into another classroom. Block A will be finished during Easter break and Builders will move into Block B. Emergency lighting will be completed during Easter break. • BoM reviewing Critical Incident Policy. There will be a requirement for a Coiste representative to be named in Critical Incident Policy. • Seachtain na Gailge taking place next week. Activities will be scaled back a little to ensure curriculum is covered in light of days missed due to Storm Ophelia and Snow. 	P. Rita

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Query re prizes for Seachtain na Gaeilge and wheter Coiste or School provided these last year? Prizes required for Art, Writing and Poster. Louise A to check with Louise C/Roisin re last year and revert to P. Rita. • Turas Gealtachta Rang 6 – now available on DataBiz for payment • Parking – text sent out today appealing to parents to be mindful of parking and to only park in designated spots. P. Rita has asked builders to secure gate at side car park so that it can be safely opened on windy days. • BoM have finalised Child Protection Statement and Risk Assessment and both will be available online within the next day or two. As a result there will be an extra teacher at the front of the school to supervise drop-offs/alighthing buses. It was suggested that these teachers wear Hi-Vis jackets to make them more visible. 	Louise A
<p>2. Parents Representative on Board of Management Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BoM thanked Fundraising Committee for Tráth na gCeist which was a great success • BoM thanked Coiste for handling of EGM which was well chaired and delivered. There was a show of strength in a crisis and it has emphasised the role of the coiste. • At the most recent BoM meeting (12/03/18) Child Safety Policy was finalised and the potential hazard of Fire Drills was added. 	Daragh
<p>3. Treasurers Report (given by Louise A in Louise C’s absence)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary Contribution – queries relating to voluntary contribution versus coiste fundraising spend . • It was asked if we could review how findraising targets are set going forward. • Louise C to review with Dorothy & invite to coiste meeting to discuss again before year end. 	Louise A <i>for Louise C</i>
<p>4. Communication with Parents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coiste Website – not very user friendly & many parents don’t know it exists. Discussion re whether we could merge this into main school website. P. Rita will investigate as part of School Web Design project and revert • Minutes of Coiste meetings. Discussion re the possibility of sharing all minutes of Coiste Meetings with Parent body. Agreed to publish minutes on Coiste Website going forward. P. Rita agreed also that minutes did not have to be translated to Irish going forward. 	P. Rita Leonie
<p>5. Coiste Chairperson Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion re plan to put pressure on department to expedite Fire Safety Remedial Works in light of recent events and as discussed at EGM. Feargal agreed to draft template letter to be forwarded to Department of Education, TD’s etc., requesting a full review. Louise A agreed to provide Feargal with dates and historical info. • New Key Holder Policy. It was noted that current Key holder policy states monitoring company should contact KH1, then KH2, then Fire Brigade. It was asked if BoM could consider changing to 	Louise A Feargal/Louise A P. Rita

<p>contact Fire Brigade alongside KH1 (if Fire Alarm sounds) as is done in other organisations. P. Rita agreed to check this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note was made of M. Darragh and his Cúla team mates playing in the upcoming All Ireland Club Final and asked if this could be included in next Newsletter to inform parents. In light of negative social media posts surrounding the recent Fire Incident it was asked if upcoming Ziko internet safety training for children and parents could include guidelines on this. There followed a discussion on the appropriate use of What's App as a means of communication for parents and whether there was a need for a moderated group to respond for demand for information. It is hoped that the new weekly updates will address this issue but we will review on an on-going basis. Mental Health Talk for Parents – suggested for Term 3. To be discussed further at April Coiste Meeting. 	<p>P. Rita</p> <p>P. Rita</p> <p>Louise A</p>
<p>Sub-Committee Updates</p> <p>Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total raised to date €6135 – 40% of this years target Last Clothing Recycle Drive raised €600. This will be repeated on April 17th and May 22nd. Sponsored Walk will take place on May 26th Table Quiz was a great success and raised €1900. <p>Coiste Glas (given by Louise A in Fiona's absence)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waverley have given a date to clear site - 9th April. Adam Rice at TCG has been informed so we can begin amphitheatre construction soon afterwards. Teachers gave some ideas to Coiste Glas and these were incorporated into a revised plan. Revised plans were drawn up and are now up in the teachers room to allow further feedback We are working to source materials and labour as cheaply as possible. We are looking for a sponsor to support the planting side now. Will contact woodies and ask if they would like to get involved but if parents have connections to another gardening centre we would love to hear from them. Have started some indoor planting with Rang a 3. Planted the seeds that we harvested from last year (peppers and tomatoes). Will transplant to garden in May. Darren asked for measurements of shed required as he may be able to source <p>Sacraments & Refreshments (given by Louise A in Karen's absence)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rang 6 Graduation Ceremony taking place on Tuesday 26th June. Parents of Rang 5 organise refreshments/party. Albs – all children have now been fitted for albs and we need 4 additional albs. P. Rita had given Karen a contact in a school in Wicklow but they are unable to help. Decision made to have shorten 4 albs that are too long to suit. Some albs sent to dry cleaners, Karen to collect. P. Rita advised Karen to liaise with R. Lisa for reimbursement of costs. 	<p>Susan</p> <p>Louise A for Fiona</p> <p>Fiona/Darren</p> <p>Louise A for Karen</p> <p>Karen</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmation – discussion re holding refreshments after ceremony in school or in Parish Hall. To be discussed with Refreshments team and revert. <p>Policies Critical Incident Policy – BoM reviewing Learning Support Policy – with Teachers for review</p>	Louise A/Karen P. Rita
<p>10 Year Anniversary No update</p>	
<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationships & Sexuality Education Programme – Louise A/LuLu to follow up re alternatives to Accord for next months meeting After School Homework Club has been included with Afterschool Activities. Awaiting response re interest levels Uniform – discussion re the introduction of Jersey Style top to be worn for PE instead of Airtex. All in favour. P. Rita to investigate with School Wear House re availability/cost. Feargal was approached by a Parent re the possibility of engaging a company called “Skip N Rope” who provide skipping tutorials for schools/clubs etc. Discussion held re this and other options such as exercises in lines before school, parents providing tutorials on ball games etc. To be discussed further at next meeting. 	Louise A P. Rita P. Rita Feargal

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