

AGM 2019 Report

Agenda

1. **Chairpersons Welcome** - Mary Gilmartin
2. **Review of 2018/2019 activities** - Mary Gilmartin
3. **PTA Treasurers Report** - Mesfin Abebe
4. **B.O.M Chairpersons address** - **Dean Niall Sloane**
5. **Building Project Update** - **Brian Beck**
6. **Principal's Addresss** - **Miriam Smyth**
7. **PTA Planned Activities for 2019/2020 - suggestions from the floor (this can include news and updates etc)**
- B.O.M Treasurers report** - **Brian Gaffney**
8. **Election of Committee**

Welcome

Welcome to this years PTA AGM. A particular welcome to all the new parents. Please be aware that by having children in the school you are automatically a member of the PTA. The committee is formed from the parents in the school, so we would like to hear your opinions and ideas. If you want to be involved and didn't get to fill in the attendance sheet, let me know. At the end of the meeting, please approach any of us with any questions we did not answer as part of the AGM.

PTA Chairpersons Report

Firstly, Thank you to everyone who contributed all through the year. I'd like to thank Niamh who had to step down as secretary at the end of the year. Everyone who worked with Niamh is very aware of how much she did for the PTA during her term. Thanks again.

We are going to go through a brief review of 2018/2019.

The year finished with the Family Fun Day on Thursday 13th June. The entire school community came together for this event. There were many food stalls, a barbeque, many games and crafts, and the popular bouncy castles. The weather held out for the evening. The evening was a huge success and the total raised was an amazing €2730.60. Thank you again for all the parents who donated items, their time, effort and skills to make it a successful event.

We put together some support sheets for parents who are looking at what resources are available for supporting their children in different areas. We also spoke to the school and looked and NPC resources in this area.

We had a History Talk on Monday 20th May by Dr Jérôme Aan De Wiel, who is a Parent from our school, on the topic "Ireland's post-war foreign children 1945-1950". No 1. Pery Square, kindly donated the room. It was a very enjoyable talk on a little known matter of history, that raised €274.95 towards the school building. Thanks again to Jérôme and those to helped on the night.

On Thursday 24th January, the PTA ran a table quiz in Jerry O'Deas. It was a success and raised €785.00 towards the school building. Between the parents and local businesses, there were a lot of prizes both for the quiz and the raffle. The story cafe in denmark street contributed a voucher.

We also put together a spreadsheet of information on local businesses that could be reused for later fundraising. We also have now answer sheets templates and posters template that the PTA can re-use for later events. We have a help package for any parent wanting to run a coffee morning for the school.

It was discussed if we should bring up for a vote a name change from the Parent Teacher Association to the Parent Association. Any name change would require a general meeting as its in the constitution. After some discussion with the committee and the board, it was decided not to bring it up for a vote before the parent body. The reasons being that the current name shows cooperation between the teaching staff, board and parent body.

We moved more of our documentation from old paper records onto digital so they could be added to the school website and be more accessibility to all parents in the school.

We continued our membership of the National Parents Council. The PTA intend to renew membership each year from now on. The Nation Parent's Council has a number of training courses available. This year we had NPA committee training and any parent in the school who wished to attend was invited. The talk covered the roles of the committee, and how to work efficiently and effectively as a committee member.

The NPC website has a lot of information available that is useful to parents so we may make other training available or leaflets from the council available to parents and the school as considered appropriate by the new committee and the board of management.

If any parent is interested in becoming involved with this aspect of the PTA work, please let us know as there is a NPC Delegate position available.

We organised a talk on the secondary school process "Transitioning to Secondary School" on 17th January for parents with students in 4th and 5th class. The parents found this talk very useful so its planned to be reran this year.

We ran a clothing collection on Wednesday 21st November 2018, for the school and the lauralynn foundation. Niamh organised this, and the church was kind enough to let us store them in their storage room.

Reminders

Just as an annual reminder some of the space outside the school is set aside for buses. In the interest of children's safety please leave the space from the corner to the lamppost free for the buses.

Treasurer's Report

St Michael's National School ATP Account statement		
Date		Amount
1-Oct-19	Opening Balance	€ 4,115.71
	Funds raised in 2018/2019	
6-Dec-19	History Talk	€ 274.95
8-May-19	Buy a Brick (Paypal)	€ 3,299.36
14-Jun-19	Family Fun Day	€ 2,730.60
	Total funds raised	€ 6,304.91
	Total	€ 10,420.62
	Expenses and Transfer	
28-Dec-19	Bank Charges	€6.63
31-Jan-19	Digi Tech Classes	€1,000.00
28-Mar-19	Bank Charges	€5.44
29-Mar-19	Government Stamp duty	€0.50
16-Apr-19	National Parent Council	€65.00
2-May-19	Duplicate statement	€9.00
15-May-19	Gift Card, Author Talk & NPC	€102.00
24-May-19	Stationary	€39.74
28-Jun-19	Bank Charges	€5.87
28-Jun-19	Float for Family fun day	€300.00
28-Jun-19	Government Stamp duty	€1.50
2-Jul-19	Transfer Fee to St Michael NS Account	€30.90
2-Jul-19	Government Stamp duty	€0.50
	Total Expenses for 2018/2019	€1,567.08
2-Jul-19	Account Balance	€8,853.54
4-Jul-19	Transfer to St Michael NS	8,853.54
4-Jul-19	Balance As per Bank statement	€0.00
4-Jul-19	PTA Bank Account Closed.	

Link to 2019 Report

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Lq4mJyiOFGYK6QqeFR69M46rutVT1vJzn7USzxU7dBQ/edit#gid=450744209>

Upcoming

This year we are looking at the NPC wellness and anti-bullying training along with running the committee training.

Close

Thank you for attending. We have tea and coffee and biscuits available. If you have not had chance to sign the attendance sheet please do so.