



Carnaross NS Parents' Association

Welcome to the Carnaross Parents' Association newsletter for the 2nd term February to June, 2019. It was a busy second part of the year for the community as a whole due to the very successful community fundraiser 'It's a Wrap'. As a result of 'It's a Wrap', some of the normal fundraisers held by the Parents' Association were scaled back in the second half of this year, there would normally have been fundraisers such as a church gate collection, copper coin collection etc.

For your information at the end of this newsletter you will find the members of the current Parents' Association for the years 2018/19.

The main left items on the Wish-list for the second half of the year were:

1. Bus Hire for School Tours
2. Hedge-cutting

Some of the activities that have already been held in the second half of the 2018-2019 school year:

- The Easter Raffle was held on 11th April. It was decided not to fundraise for this raffle and prizes were donated by the Parents' Association.
- A clothing collection was held on the 15th of May and 720kg of clothes was collected on the day.
- The school buses used for the tours were funded at a cost of €1,000.
- Refreshments for the Confirmation, First Holy Communion and 6th class graduation ceremonies were organized.
- The school organised a Cake Sale/Coffee Morning in March with the help and support of the parents.
- The outdoor classroom was completed under the guidance of Fiona Lydon and Alva Cullen with help from the parent population in general.

Future activities:

- The AGM for 2019-2021 will be held early in the school year beginning September 2019. All parents are encouraged to attend on the night. More information to follow in due course.
- The Wish-list for the year 2019/20 will be formulated in advance of the AGM.
- A new Parents Association Committee will be formed for the years 2019/21.

Other activities:

- A National Parents' Council Training Session was held on 27th May. This training session was open to all parents and outlined the many benefits of being involved in and having a Parents' Association in the school.
- The Parents' Association Constitution has been reviewed. Draft changes were made to the document in June. A final draft will be agreed and circulated in advance of the AGM.
- Focus was on ensuring the Parents' Association was GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) compliant. A GDPR Policy and Parental Consent Form will be agreed and circulated to all families in due course.
- The Parents' Association page on the Carnaross National School website was populated.
- The Sam Maguire cup visited the school in May.

Meath County Council and the road safety officer continue to be engaged in regards to the safety of our children around drop off and collection times.

Parents and Guardians are reminded once again that it is not permitted to pull in or park directly in front of the school wall. This area must be kept clear, at all times, to enable the school bus to park.

Accounts:

The balance in the Parents' Association account was €5,132 as of 30th April 2019.

Members of the Parents' Association 2018/2019:

Jnr Infants Reps	Roseanne Yore	Peter Gannon
Snr Infants Reps	Rosita Brainard	Thomas Barrett
1 st Class Reps	Conor Woods	Josephine Olwill
2 nd Class Reps	Sinead Moore	Mark Kerrigan
3 rd Class Reps	Louise Walsh	Paul O'Sullivan
4 th Class Reps	Maria Smith	Arjan Ploeg
5 th Class Reps	Alva Cullen	John Larkin
6 th Class Reps	Ann Ennis	
BoM Reps	Sharon Bennett	Derek McInerney

Chairperson: Louise Walsh

Secretary: Paul O'Sullivan

Treasurer: Sinead Moore

Please feel free to contact your class representative (or any member of the Parents' Association) via the email address carnarossparents@gmail.com. **Please note any contact made with the Parents' Association will be treated in strictest confidence and will be accessed by the Chairperson and the Secretary only).**