



## Minutes of Parents Association Meeting

*A meeting of the Parents Association was held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017.*

**Attendance:** Aoife Allison, Kathleen Mallon, Mary Mc Grenra, Patricia Orsi, Lorna Kemp, Noelle Mc Laughlin, Noreen Mills, Helen Cannon, Eileen Mc Ateer, Eileen Lockhart, Claire Finn, Michelle Callaghan, Mary Johnston, Louise Cullen, Grace Shiels, Siobhan Mc Garry, Emma Mc Ginley, Margaret Black, Fiona Herbst & Helen Hayes Sweeney.

Margaret O Connor – Principal

John Lynch - Chaplain

**Apologies:** Kathleen Shiels, Deirdre Mc Cormick.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed. All minutes are available on the school website.

### **Matters Arising:**

- The Book Sale, where Leaving Cert students sold their books to incoming Fourth Years had been very successful. The school would investigate ways to build on & develop its success eg sale of second hand books & jackets through the school website or Facebook page.
- The 5K, organised by Transition Years, had also proved to be a great success.
- Study workshops, organised for First Years & their parents would be offered to all parents. The possibility of past pupils returning to share their study tips & advice re anxiety/stress with current Leaving Cert students was discussed. The idea of using questionnaires was also mooted. The Principal will discuss these ideas with staff & students. An information evening for parents re the new Junior Cert was being organised by the school. It was agreed that the new grading scheme for the Junior Cert contained anomalies.
- S. McBride & L. Kemp had been re-elected to the school Board of Management.
- Cyber Safety. Information sessions had been arranged for First Years & their parents.

**Parental Participation:** The Chairperson noted the excellent attendance at this, the first, meeting of the School Year.

### **A.O.B.:**

The Principal noted that there had been a broadly positive reaction to the introduction of the new school day. Difficulties with lunchtimes in the canteen were being ‘ironed out’.

The School Musical, Mamma Mia, would take place in October. The Parents Association have organised a rota for each night re tea & coffee and the tuck shop. Any additional help

would be appreciated. Parents wishing to contact the Parents Association may do so at [parentsassociation@loretomilford.net](mailto:parentsassociation@loretomilford.net) .