

## **Minutes of PGTA held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 (via Zoom)**

Present: Anne, Cecile, Barry, Theresa, Martha, Maura, Tony, Conor, Esme, Catherine, Ger, June (parents/guardians) Darren, Kate (G) (teachers)  
Apologies: Fiona (parent/guardian)

Anne (Chair) welcomed and thanked both new and returning parents/guardians and teachers to the 2020/2021 PGTA. Members thanks Anne O'Rourke who stepped down as Chair for her commitment and hard work over the last number of years.

New Committee agreed/voted in as follows:

Chairperson	Martha Early
Vice-Chairperson	Anne O'Rourke
Treasurer	Barry Finnegan
Secretary	June Walsh

### **School Update (teachers)**

- Darren updated the PGTA regarding the heating. An issue with the radiators in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year prefabs is currently being rectified. Doors and windows in classrooms remain open, in line with Government/HSE guidance and it is asked that students dress appropriately. It was noted that the windows and doors are opened in the new building and the ventilation does not use recycled air.
- Frank (teacher) organised and partook in a virtual sleep-out with TY students and to date €3,500 has been raised for Focus Ireland.
- TY students also organised a dress up day for Trick & Treat for Temple Street and monies raised is currently being counted.
- Winter Assessments – The holding of winter assessments is currently being discussed among the teacher faculty and an update will be issued next week. Assessments take place over a week usually at the end of November early December and are important part of the school year. Should assessments take place they will be in line with Covid protocol.
- Anna (W teacher) has been appointed 3<sup>rd</sup> yr Year head and Point of Contact for Incoming 1<sup>st</sup> Year students.
- Kathy has been appointed into the role of ICT/TEL lead person
- The PGTA congratulated both Anna & Kathy on their new roles.
- A discussion took place regarding the protocol should a person in the school test positive for Covid 19. It was noted that the HSE is responsible for notifying the school and contract tracing. The school acts in accordance with HSE guidance and GDPR legislation. There is a tab on the school website should a parent/guardian wish to contact the school regarding any Covid 19 concerns which is monitored by 2 staff members. Phones are managed by 2 admin staff members.
- The school has also removed the hand sanitizer that has recently been removed from the Dept. of Educations recommended list and new sanitizers have been installed.
- TY students together with teachers are producing a video of the school, including interviews with students and staff. This will be uploaded to the school website in due course.

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No new developments as of yet, will be seeking parents/guardian involvement shortly. A discussion took place regarding the cost of rental for prefabs. The presentation shown at the AGM will be uploaded onto the school website for students and parents/guardians to view.

**Date of next meeting 8<sup>th</sup> December 2020**