



Carnaross NS Parents' Association

Welcome to the Carnaross Parents' Association newsletter for the 2nd term February to June, 2022. As the year draws to an end, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire parent body who have contributed in many ways to a successful school term. As school life has started to return to normality after Covid-19, it has been great to see various activities resume, including fundraisers, the celebration of Confirmation, First Confessions and First Holy Communion, the recent Graduation of 6th Class and the welcome return of school tours. We outline some of the main events and activities that the Parents' Association has been involved in below. At the end of this newsletter you will find details about the current Parents' Association and the role we play.

School Wish List

The main items on the Wish list which the Parents' Association contributed towards were:

1. Bus Hire for School Tours
2. Health Promotion Week
3. Maths Equipment
4. Sports Equipment

Main Activities of the Parents' Association 2022

- The Easter Raffle was held on 8th April with €1728 raised. Thank you for your generous support.
- La Glas was held on 16th March. The amount of €528 was raised and donated to the Red Cross in aid of those affected by the war in Ukraine.
- Grandparents' and Special Persons' Day was held on 6th May and was a great success with a total of €2,059 raised. Thanks to all who brought baked goods, the volunteers who helped out on the day and everyone who supported the event by coming along and sharing a cuppa. Monies raised have gone towards the funding of transport to various events and activities.
- The busses for school tours were funded at a cost of €1400.
- Refreshments for the Holy Communion and 6th class graduation were organised. Thanks to all the parents who helped out at both of these special events.
- Works continued on the school garden, with paving, planting of hedging and trees. The PA expresses thanks to everyone who has been involved in the project. The garden is really starting to take shape and with plans for the inclusion of a picnic table and raised beds it promises to be a space that can be enjoyed by all.
- Thanks to everyone who completed the online parents' survey. The PA is exploring the possibility of setting up a coffee morning to provide parents with the opportunity to meet up

informally. More details to follow in September. Thank you to everyone who has indicated an interest in helping out with the activities of the PA. This is very much appreciated.

Upcoming Activities

- The AGM for 2022- 2023 will be held on 17th October at 7:30pm. All parents are encouraged to attend on the night.
- The Board of Management will formulate a wishlist for the year in advance of the AGM on the 17th October.

Accounts

The current balance in the account is €6957.62 before end of year payments were finalised.

Information about the Parents' Association 2021/2022:

The aim/purpose of the parents association as outlined in the constitution is as follows:

'to provide a structure through which parents/guardians of children attending Carnaross National School can work together, in partnership with the Principal, Board of Management, and the whole school community, to provide the best possible education and school environment for children attending the school'.

The current members of the Parents' Association committee are:

Ailish O'Reilly
Roseanne Yore
Joanne O'Reilly

BOM Reps:

Louise Walsh
Conor Woods

Chairperson: Sinead Farrelly

Secretary: Brona Shields

Treasurer: Debbie Clarke

If you would like to join the Parents' Association or have any queries about the work that we do, please feel free to contact 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).**

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.