

# Cumann na dTuismitheoirí / Parents Association Coláiste an Phiarsaigh

**Miontuairisc:**

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2019**

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<b>Lucht Freastail:</b>	<b>Helen Mannion</b>	<b>Michelle Philpott</b>	<b>Micheál Ó Tuama</b>
	<b>Mark Chu</b>	<b>Suzanne Moloney</b>	<b>Nicola Ní Mhaoileoin</b>
	<b>Elaine Hill</b>	<b>Jerry Reen</b>	<b>Síle Ní Dhuinneacha</b>
	<b>Des Connolly</b>	<b>Carmel Ní Bhrudair</b>	

<b>Leithscéalta</b>	<b>Heidi Robertson</b>	<b>Rebecca Kelly</b>	<b>Breda Uí Dhuinneacha</b>
	<b>Winnie Lynch</b>	<b>Gillian O'Callaghan</b>	

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**Minutes Issued by:** Helen Mannion

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**AGENDA:**

- Apologies**
- Adoption of Minutes from 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019 (Helen)**
- Fograí Scoile: (Micheál Ó Tuama)**
- Snowball Drop (Suzanne)**
- AOB**
- Date for next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

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## **Fograí Scoile:**

1. **06/11/19** Bl. 3A went to the Everyman.
2. **07/11/19** An unannounced Dept of Ed. Inspector arrived at the school. 6 teachers were picked at random, the inspector sat in on their classes and then met with the teachers individually. A report will be issued to the school in due course.
3. **07/11/19** Bl. 5 & 6 Agricultural Science classes went on a farm walk.
4. **08/11/19** Trócaire came to the school and were presented with a cheque for €500 which had been collected in the school through the “HandPrint” design on the school wall.
5. **11/11/19** Comhairle na Mac Léinn had their meeting with MOT and Liam OL.
6. **12/11/19** For-Óige met with 1A and was very well received.
7. **13/11/19** Bl. 5 biology classes went on an Ecology Trip.
8. **13/11/19** The Spanish classes went to the Cinema for the Cork Film Festival.
9. **14/11/19** The Lord Mayor of Cork City, John Sheehan visited the school as Glanmire is now part of the City. He met with Bl. 1, 2, & 4 and a history presentation on Terence Mc Sweeney was made. Dion O'Callaghan sang for him and was rewarded with an invitation to go to City Hall.
10. **14/11/19** The Annual Assembly of the Gaelscoileanna in Cork was held.
11. **14/11/19** Students wore different coloured clothes supporting LGBTI and individuality.
12. **18/11/19** P-T Meetings for Bl. 6 were held.
13. **19/11/19** Bl 4 did their driving course in Mallow.

14. **19/11/19** For-Óige met with Bl. 1B
15. **22/11/19** An Anti-Bullying Survey was held for Bl.1 to Bl.6 Síle Ní Sheaghdh is working on it.
16. **25/11/19** Wriggle were on site for IT training with 10 teachers.
17. **26/11/19** For-Óige met with Bl. 1C
18. **27/11/19** Bl. 6 History class went for a workshop to Cork Library.
19. **27/11/19** Bl.4 went on a trip to Shannon Aviation in Limerick.
20. **28/11/19** NCCA online training for Classroom Based Assessments was completed by teachers.
21. **28/11/19** As part of “wellness week” Dr. Eithne Hunt spoke to the teachers and parents.
22. **29/11/19** Secretary General of the Central Bank met with the senior business studies students.
23. **03/12/19** P-T meetings for Bl. 3 were held.
24. **03/12/19** Tickets for the Snowball Run were handed out.
25. **03/12/19** The Junior debating team took part in the semi-final of Gael-Linn in Limerick but unfortunately were unsuccessful.
26. **04/12/19** There is a Social and Wellness Day being held for Bl. 5. A study seminar, ballroom dancing and singing and a letter to themselves for opening at year end was being written.
27. **04/11/19** Billy Hedderman will address the Senior Students of the school on “Resilience”.

## **SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT**

*Currently there are two applications with the Dept. of Ed.*

1. ***Emergency Works Applications*** – Replacement of Porta cabins due to some of the existing ones being condemned after the H&S assessment being carried out. Two of the Girls dormitories are currently being used as classrooms.
2. ***Summer Works Application*** – Boilers, and Bathroom facilities.

*MOT has been told that there is a possible “Technical Visit” due to be made to the school which is being viewed as a very positive sign of movement. No date as yet.*

## **SPEAKERS**

Eithne Hunt, State Registered Occupational Therapist presented to the teachers and parents in CAP covering adolescent mental health / mindfulness for the students. The parents felt that the talk was excellent and were very impressed with Eithne. Julie Dennehy agreed to write a testimonial.

Billy Hedderman is a former pupil of CAP and MOT. Billy joined the Irish Army, and then went to Australia. While there he was involved in a surfing accident and was left paralysed. 10 months later, did a 10K run. Now Billy is now a captain in the Australian Army. He was in Ireland to promote his new book, “Unbowed”.

## **UNIQUE SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS - APP**

Progress update will be given at the next meeting in January.

## **SNOWBALL RUN**

The Snowball Run will go ahead on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 10am outside the Príomhdhoras. The tickets have been sorted into classes etc. Michelle thanked Mark, Des, Teresa and Suzanne for sorting same. MOT went into every class today (3/12/19) with an entertaining Advertising Campaign which was very well received, and gave out the tickets. LP Walsh confirmed sponsorship of €850.

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize Cash:	€300
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize Cash:	€150
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize Cash:	€100

The remaining €300 will be divided into 12 prizes of €25 and 2 winners will be chosen from each year for selling the tickets. The TY students will help on the day and Kevin (5<sup>th</sup> Year) will be asked to take the photos. MOT will also organise for a drone to be booked to record from above.

## **AOB**

1. Mark Chu informed the meeting that three “Quercus” scholarships were awarded in UCC on 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec to Coláiste Students who have just started in UCC:

Jack Ó Cionnaith  
Aisling Ní Thoibín  
Eoin Ó Mathúna

2. Nicola asked the meeting about the proposed changes for the Junior Cycle Irish Paper in June 2020. MOT confirmed that there will be two different exam papers. One for Gaelcholáistí, Teanga 1, (T1) and an easier paper for English secondary schools Teanga 2 (T2)
3. MOT also informed the meeting that any information that parents/students require regarding the new Junior Cycle from CAP and the NCCA can be obtained from the school Website under subsection: Parent.
4. Carmel asked if the school was informed as to which Leaving Certificate Papers will be corrected online as a different answer book is used. This is unknown as yet but MOT confirmed that the Pre-paper answer books will be the same as those used for online corrections.
5. Suzanne asked MOT if he could look into her suggestion of setting up “Slí na Scoile” walks which can be done at zero cost to the school. MOT will review and revert.

**Next Meeting Date:**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 8.30pm**