

Cumann na dTuismitheoirí / Parents' Association Coláiste an Phiarsaigh

Miontuairisc:

Tuesday 11th February 2025 8.30pm

Lucht Freastail:

**Micheál Ó Tuama
Mary Haslam**

**Julie Dennehy-O'Callaghan
Ruth ní Longain**

Lucht ar Líne

**Josephine Sugrue
Cliona Fergey
Paula Kennedy**

**Winnie Lynch
Nicola Uí Mhaoileoin**

Leithscéalta

**Shelagh McCarthy
Jerry Reen
Colette Uí Fhionnagáin
Domini Codd**

**Leila Cotter
Patricia
Des Connolly
Catriona Hogan Twomey**

Minutes Issued by: Mary Haslam (Recording Secretary)

AGENDA:

**Fáilte
Apologies
Minutes from previous meeting
Imeachtaí Scoile ón Príomhoide
Actions List
AOB
Date for next meeting**

WELCOME

Julie Dennehy-O'Callaghan welcomed everybody

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from

**Shelagh McCarthy
Jerry Reen
Colette Uí Fhionnagáin
Domini Codd**

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MINUTES

Last month's minutes were proposed by Micheál and seconded by Clíona

Imeachtaí na scoile/School activities

21-01-25: Craobh peile na Mumhan cailíní sinsir

Girls football team lost but achievement acknowledged by all

22-01-25: Díolacháin cistí YSI – Clann Simón

Young Social Innovators cake sale proceeds presented to representative of Simon Community who spoke to the students the following week on 27th Jan

27-01-25: Cainteoir MTU BL 6/Speaker from MTU

27-01-25: Pobail Simón le BL 4

29-01-25: Craobh soccer na Mumhan fé 17

Soccer team continue to thrive and are now in All- Ireland final

04-02-25: Ocean Electrical

School applied for Dept funding for fire safety system update, and they carried out work before school opened from 6 am.

04-02-25: Réamhscrúduithe na Scoile

Mock exams started and care and attention of teachers evident. Activities off the agenda
School replicates SEC conditions implementing Reasonable Accommodations including- shared centre, scribes, typing for students. Mocks finish Friday 14th Feb

06-02-25: CTM BL 5

Parent teacher meeting for 5th Year students in Halla

06-02-25: Cruinniú Bord Bainistíochta na Scoile

Board meeting at 5.30

Ábhair le phlé/ Agenda items:

Bi Cineálta /Anti-Bullying Departmental Guidelines

AT NUA MF 2025/Leaving Cert Reform

An Idirbhliain Nua/ New TY Model

Bi Cineálta Programme

Teacher In service scheduled for April in relation to anti-bullying
Department have outlined new robust approach, much of which was already in operation in CAP.
Issue was patchwork cover in different schools previously.
DOE are now streamlining policy - everyone knows policy has to be in place in every school by Sept 25.

CAP policy was to speak to victim and perpetrator and they are given one chance, and subsequently monitored by Anti-Bullying Coordinator and parents called if they reoffend.

Dept are now specifying parents have to be contacted at stage 1 and parents will receive a 'soft' phone call – this is a legal issue to inform parents from the outset.

Parents are invited to come in – but they usually leave it to school to deal with. Both sets of parents alerted and no blame policy recommended.

This is a Child centered policy which will be in their Diary and on display.
There is an overarching role for BOM to oversee and reporting on amount of cases and resolution.

Leaving Cert Reform

New LC is moving ahead with new Government and Minister McEntee
Every subject will have PBA (Project Based Assessment) and new subjects on offer
There is a new curriculum and a project worth 40% - final exam in 2027 worth 60% for Business and Science subjects, with others phased in along different 'tranches'.

School is undergoing an audit of Science Labs to figure out what needed - Saotharlann A being kitted out.
As has been widely discussed, AI will impact this reform.

New TY structure

Coláiste has been ahead of arc in relation to TY Program.

Experiences and assessments have been different across schools leading to inequality.

All students must now present a Digital Portfolio, and must present to link teacher, this is also relevant for 3rd level.

Coláiste also features using Careers Portal, and Guidance large chunk of timetables.
Social Work now is compulsory for a week for all
Assessment is also now compulsory. System of credits being looked at as incentive to encourage participation. Iníon Uí Scollaí attended inservice - information night to incoming TY end of March/April

Action Items

Date change for Table Quiz is March 27th in Sars - any gifts for raffles to be donated to office.

Jerry committed to quiz master and Leila to Poster for Advertisement.

LC Anxiety was followed up with Micheál speaking to parents and students. Need for a full-time Guidance counsellor emphasized as current Counsellor juggling constantly.

Cliona stressed importance of parent notification on quiz on App.
She volunteered to organize baskets and suggested the formation of a sub-committee of Cliona, Des and Jerry to discuss quiz, since they have experience in doing so previously.

Leila will draft poster.

Suggestion to bring forward meeting by a week to have time to prepare for Quiz.

Next meeting: March 4th