



Tuesday 9th September 2014
Minutes of PTA AGM Meeting

- **Present:** Fr. D Russell, M. Regan, M. Shorten, M Wilkinson, E. Hannaford, S. Gatenby, S. Hannaford, M. Livingston, T. Graham, R. McAllister, L Marsh, B O'Brien, N Myers, M. English, C. Park, J Bower, K Parkinson, C Walker, N Burt-Skinner, R Davies.

Apologies for absence: V Pitt, L Bussey, K. Bell, S Thornton.

Chairperson's Report – Sue Gatenby

- Thanks given to Fr. Russell for his very uplifting mass, Miss Regan for her continued support of the PTA, and thanks to the PTA committee for their tireless commitment.
- Last year's main fundraising events included a family Pig Race Night, a St Patrick's Day ceilidh, the annual Christmas raffle and 200 Club, both organised by Mrs Jasper, and the Annual Christmas Fayre. A very successful addition to the programme was the 'Carmel's Got Talent' which is expected to run again this year.
- Mrs Gatenby commented about the success again of the annual Christmas Fayre – this year it will be held on Thursday 6th November (tickets and posters available and parents were asked to sell 10 tickets each).

Treasurer's Report – Carol Park

- The Christmas Fayre was always a good fund raiser in spite of the recession, as were Mrs Jasper's 200 Club and Christmas Raffle which Mrs J explained to everyone.
- The pig race evenings were more of a family fun night rather than a main fundraiser, providing a social evening for new parents and pupils to meet. Carol reported that in the past the PTA has given financial assistance to many good causes and mentioned the commitment to contribute to the shortfall in funding from Sport England for draining the rugby pitches, which would make a large dent in the PTA's budget.
- Regrettably the resignation from the committee after many years of dedication and commitment was announced by letter from Mr Bill Gillow who was thanked for his tremendous support over the years and a thank you gift would be purchased on behalf of the PTA.

Election of Offices

- **Chairperson** – Mrs S Gatenby (staff) – nominated and 2nd as chairperson
- **Deputy Chairperson** – Miss J Bower (staff)
- **Treasurer** – Mrs C Park. (staff)
- **Secretary** – Mrs E Hannaford (staff)
- **Parent representatives** to be confirmed at the first meeting in October.
- **Miss Regan** gave thanks to the PTA committee, parents and staff for their tireless contribution to the college community and urged them to continue their support. She also congratulated Mrs Gatenby on her recent retirement from teaching after over 40 years service and presented her with a small token of appreciation from the PTA.

Forthcoming Events

- Craft Fayre – 6th November 2014
- Comenius International visit - Pig Race Night – Wednesday 12th November.
- 200 Club numbers available from Mrs Jasper. Christmas Raffle being organised.
- PTA meetings agreed to be the 1st Tuesday of the month – approximately 1 hour starting at 6pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, 7th October 2014 at 6.00 pm in the Community Room.