



St Anne's National School Shankill PTA Newsletter

Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s)

Welcome to our second PTA newsletter of 2019 / 2020 summarising our activities since the last newsletter issued in October 2019 and highlighting some future key dates.

The PTA Committee is a vital link between you, the parents / guardians, and the school. We are a group of volunteer parents who want to build on the great sense of community we enjoy at St Anne's. The PTA Committee meets once a month and we welcome agenda items from parents. Please contact a member of the PTA Committee, email stannespa@gmail.com or contact your class parent representative with ideas, queries or suggestions.

Activities to Date

Hallowe'en Annual Cake Sale and Bake Off 25 October 2019

Thanks to everyone for supporting the bake sale, which raised €1,800 to go towards developing the school yard.

Table Quiz 8 November 2019

We had a great turnout at this event and great fun was had by all. We raised €1,380 for the school yard and €528 for PTA events. A big thank you to all who attended and volunteered to make the night such a great success.

Car Park Signs Campaign

The PTA supplied new car park signs in November 2019 to remind us all of simple ways we can ensure the car park is a safe and secure environment for our children.

Christmas Disco Party 8 December 2019

The children had great fun dancing with Santa at our Christmas party. We donated 30 selection boxes to the St Vincent de Paul Society and 70 selection boxes to Barnardos, which were gratefully received.

Christmas Cards for Schools

Our Christmas Cards for Schools project raised €1,690. This initiative was really well received and the children loved taking home their printed cards. We hope to run this initiative again towards the end of this year and would welcome any suggestions you have to help us improve upon the process. Please send all suggestions to cardspta2019@gmail.com.

Christmas Colouring Competition

The children really enjoyed creating their beautiful Christmas images and were especially excited when the parents delivered the chocolate Santas and coins to their classrooms.

Grandparents' Day 29 January 2020

Thanks to our PTA volunteers who provided refreshments to all attending Grandparents' Day, always a lovely event for the children.

Your PTA Committee

Brónagh Maher (Chair), Conor Boyle (Treasurer), Leah Connolly, Orlagh Conroy, Dervla Fitzpatrick, Polly Fitzpatrick, Louise Hanly, Claire Kelleher, Emma McGuinness, Sharon McHugh, George Nursey, Aine O'Sullivan, Louise Prenter, Lia Saurin, Ronan Warren.

We always need parents to help out and volunteer a small amount of their time. We would be grateful if you would keep this in mind when the PTA are asking for parents to volunteer a little time to assist with events. Thank you!



Important Dates:

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| 6 March | Book Sale & Dress Up as your favourite character |
| 27 March | Daffodil Day |
| 28 March | Confirmation |
| 10 May | Communion—Ms Dawson's Class |
| 19 May | Junior Sports Day (Junior Infants to First Class) |
| 21 May | Senior Sports Day (Second Class to Sixth Class) |
| 24 May | Communion—Mr Hackett's Class |
| 10 June | End of Year Show (Mr Dunne's Class leading) |
| 11 June | End of Year Show (Ms Kelly's Class leading) |
| 25 June | Graduation |

