

Coláiste Choilm
Parents Association

The Annual General Meeting of the Parents Association will take place in the school on

Wednesday 19th October at 8.00 pm.

All Parents/Guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Agenda:

1. A report on the activities carried out by the Parents Association during the past year.
2. A presentation by school principal on school related activities 10/11.
3. **Election of Parent Representatives to the incoming Board of Management.**

This is a very important meeting and all Parents/Guardians are very welcome and encouraged attend.

You may wish to join the Association on the night. Being on the Association is not an onerous role and can be very informative.

It will also be an opportunity to view our new school building.

The Annual Table Quiz will be held in the Bridge House Hotel on
Thursday 24th November at 8.30 pm

In the Millenium Room

We really regard this night as a social event and again we invite you all to come and enjoy a get together. The questions won't be too hard!

Mona Brophy
Secretary

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New School Building

At long last the dream has become a reality and on 5th September the new First Years entered the new building to start their second level education in our new facility.

It has been a very busy Summer trying to get everything in place for the start of the new academic year. Great efforts were made by the design team and contractors to ensure that we opened on schedule. Through out the year staff have also been working hard researching best practice and good models in other schools and informing the architects and builder of same thus ensuring that we have the very best of designs in place.



Board of Management Duty of Care

Please note that the Board of Management accepts responsibility for students:

from 8.30 am until 4.00pm Mon-Fri.

Students on school related activities will be under the care of the Board outside of these times.

Homework Journal

We have updated the School Homework Journal again this year, each student should have it at this stage. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you once again of the importance of the School Homework Journal as a means of communication between school and home. It has been designed specifically for our needs and allows for written communication on matters such as absence, lateness & appointments.

It also allows for teachers to send information home regarding student progress. It is very important therefore that parents/guardians monitor and sign the journal on a regular basis. Please familiarise yourself with its contents, especially school policies. As we begin the year take time with your son to go through these policies carefully so that all are aware of their responsibilities.

Having read through these policies we ask you, as parents/guardians and your son to sign in the specified places in the Journal acknowledging that you have read the policies and that you agree to abide by them.

It is most important that you inform us of any changes in contact numbers as they will be essential in the event of an emergency.

Uniform

As notified in the Summer Newsletter we have revamped the school uniform. Junior Cycle students wear a round necked jumper, grey pants, grey shirt and black shoes. The Senior Cycle students wear a black jumper, grey pants, grey shirt and black shoes. **Students who have the v-neck jumper from last year must wear a tie.**

As accidents occasionally happen and uniforms get dirty/wet, we suggest that your son has a spare uniform as a backup.

If your son attends school without a full and proper uniform you must provide a written explanation as to why he is not wearing the full uniform.

This can be done using the appropriate page in the Homework Journal.

Failure to provide this will result in your son not being allowed to attend class.

Administration Fee:

It is most important that you send in the Administration Fee as it covers 24 Hour Personal Accident Insurance for the year, as well as Homework Journal, Newsletters, Reports, postage, photocopying etc...

| No. of Boys | €Cost |
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| One | 60 |
| Two | 100 |
| Three or More | 120 |

School Calendar 2011/2012

Parent Teacher Meetings:

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| Leaving Certs: | Thurs 10th Nov. |
| Junior Certs: | Tues 22nd Nov. |
| Fifth Years: | Mon 05th Dec. |
| Second Yrs: | Tues 17th Jan 2012. |
| First Years: | Wed. 01st Feb. |
| TY's: | Thurs 09th Feb. |

All Parent Teacher Meetings will take place from 4.00— 6.30 pm

Holidays

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| Midterm: | 31st Oct—04th Nov. |
| Christmas: | 23rd Dec – 06th Jan |
| Midterm: | 13th Feb – 17th Feb |
| St. Patricks: | 19th March |
| Easter: | 02nd April – 13th April |
| Bank Holiday: | 07th May. |
| Close: | 31st May. |

School Directory 11/12

Please contact the school to make an appointment if you wish to talk/meet school staff. Coming in without an appointment may lead to disappointment as the person you wish to meet might be unavailable at that time.

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| General Administration: | School Office (Appointments, Form Completion etc...) |
| Student Welfare: | Class Tutor Year Head Mr. O' Regan Mr. Roddy |
| Subject Issues: | Class Teacher |
| Transition Year: | Mr. Cassidy |
| Learning Support | Ms. Molyneaux |
| Career Guidance: | Ms. Burke |
| Sports Department: | Ms. O' Neill |
| School Attendance/Absence: | Mr. O' Regan |
| Punctuality: (Late Notes, Detention, etc...) | Mr. O' Regan |
| Lost Property: | Mr. Masterson |
| Lockers: | Mr. O'Donovan |
| Personal Accident Insurance: | Office |
| Board of Management: | Mr. Roddy |
| Parent Council Matters: | Mr. Roddy |
| Note: | <i>The homework journal should contain the names of your sons subject teachers, tutor and year head.</i> |
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