

MARYFIELD COLLEGE PARENT'S ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Thank you for taking the time to look at the newsletter and see what the Parents Association got up to during the year. Maryfield College is a community that embraces the parents and the students, and it is acknowledged that through this partnership, our daughters receive the best possible opportunities in education available to them.

The Parent's Association is made up of 2 volunteer parent representatives from the 6 year groups in the school. This is a committee that meet once a month (Sept-May) and organise the activities, but, for the PA to be successful, we need support from all parents when it comes to events such as the fundraising table quiz or Spring Clean in the school.

We have had a great committee this year and we want to thank everyone who gave a little to everyone who gave a lot! Time is precious for us all, so a huge thank you to all the parents who supported the work throughout the year.



OUR ACTIVITIES THIS YEAR



PARENT'S ASSOCIATION AGM

The PA held their annual AGM on the 28th of September where a new council was elected for the upcoming school year. An excellent talk was given by Psychotherapist, Lecturer & Broadcaster Dr Coleman Noctor on mental health wellbeing amongst teenagers. His book "The 4-7 Zone" is now for sale!

FUNDRAISER - TABLE QUIZ

On the 27th October the PA held a fundraising table quiz to raise funds to support activities in the school. A great night was had at St Vincent's GAA Clubhouse. Thank you to all the parents, St Vincents GAA and local businesses who supported this event, €500 was raised on the night.





SCHOOL BENCHES

The PA purchased 5 new school benches for the courtyard area for the students to enjoy outdoor breaks.

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

December is always a busy month and the PA were delighted to help the school with the Christmas Musical Evening that is hosted for the parents of first year students. After a beautiful performance by the School Choir and Orchestra the PA welcomed the first year parents to a mulled wine and mince pie reception in the canteen. It was a lovely event and a great opportunity for parents to meet each other and see the school. The PA also sponsored and erected the outdoor Christmas Tree in the courtyard.





TY MUSICAL - HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

The TY Musical is one of the highlights in the school calendar and the PA were on-hand to help organise the tuck shop and raffle. Members of the PA helped out on both nights and raised over €900 which was donated to the school to cover some of the costs of hosting the musical. Congrats to the TY students for a putting on a very enjoyable and successful performance.







CAREERS' DAY

The PA and the Career Guidance Department hosted a careers' day for 5th and 6th year students. Over 25 universities, colleges, further education bodies and industry representatives participated. Students spent the afternoon visiting stands to gain insights into what courses are on offer and interacting with professionals in various fields who shared information on their workplace, jobs and skills required for their career. If this is something you would like to get involved in, please email pamaryfieldcollege@gmail.com



NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN DAY

In conjunction with Dublin City Council and An Taisce, the PA organised a Spring Clean of the grounds of Maryfield College on the 22nd April. Thank you to all the parents and students who helped out on the day. This was a great way to get to know parents, chat with the staff present and engage with the students. Albeit a wet morning, it was a lot of fun!

JIGSAW'S - ONE GOOD SCHOOL

Maryfield College participates in Jigsaw's One Good School programme, Jigsaw's One Good School is an initiative which supports the mental health and wellbeing of young people by developing a shared responsibility across the whole school community. Two members of the PA are parent representatives.





SEPTEMBER 2023 AGM

At the AGM every year, the PA organise a speaker.We want your input to select the speaker for September 2023 please take a look at our mentimeter.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION

Thank you to all the parents who contributed to the parents association fund, which is included in your voluntary contribution annually. With your support we were able to organise and support the various events and initiatives throughout the year.

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