



## CCC Parents Association Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026

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# Agenda – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026

- Summary January 2026 meeting
  - Role of Parents Association
  - Timetable of PA activities – time required
  - Finance Update
  - Charity Donation Update
  - Exam support - readers & supervisors
  - Parental Talk – Jigsaw (February)
  - Parking
  - Plant Sale Update
  - Astro Update
  - College update – John Cronin (Principal)
  - AOB
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## Summary: January 2026 Monthly Meeting

- Review of Minutes from monthly meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- Summary below of Minutes from the monthly meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026

### Updates on the Astro-Turf Project

- John gave an update on astro pitch – Colm has provided a lot of information re the submission.
- A call had been made for any parents/members who could support the application process (architect/ project planner). Volunteers came forward to support the application. A big thank you to Ray and Conchi.
- A note that there may be issues around the pitch and nearby trees and lights. Planning re pitch and fencing was put forward however lights may be an issue for further investigation in time.
- Goal is to have the planning application in for the end of the month.
- Note: Possible need to level the ground re planning etc.

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## Update on Parent Talks

- First talk will be by Lorraine Halpin from Jigsaw on 9th Feb at 7:30pm.
- Second talk will be by Dr Richard Hogan about mental health promotion on 20th April 7:30pm.

## Financial Update

- Nedda presented the treasurer update and the bank balance as of 31/12/25 was €13,211.33
- Donation given to St Vincent De Paul in memory of John Cronin's mother. Another cheque made out for the tuck shop. Cheques will also be written for the two charities chosen this evening.
- Please see treasurer report for more information.

## College Update

- John Cronin was at the parent induction meeting this evening for the 2026/2027 incoming first years. John Goodwin shared Mr Cronin's update.
- Regarding placements for 2026/2027- Placements Category B has been cleared. Category C still has 31 students on the waiting list however due to changes in circumstance (taking up a place in another school/moving etc) those on the list may still be offered a place by September.



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- Volunteering for the reassessment of the Critical incident policy is welcomed from interested parents.
- Voluntary contributions have been quite low this year. Suggestion to make the voluntary contributions into an administration fee so that reminders can be sent out to parents who haven't paid. As John Cronin is not available at this meeting, this issue will be discussed at the next PA meeting.

### **New Build Update**

- Permanent extension will be two stories. Stage one complete (design). Stage one report is impacted by delays. Stage One cost report has commenced. Intention for report to be received in three weeks by end of January. DDLETB will assess the report and turn it into the Dept of Education for review. The build is intended to take place in the next few years.
  - Reminder College is closed on January 20th.
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# Summary: January 2026 Monthly Meeting

## Charity Due Diligence

- Lisa reported on the charities suggested by parents to receive the money from the second-hand uniform sales. The charities presented are noted in the attached report. Following a vote by parents online and parents attending the meeting in person the charities chosen are Little Butterflies Arch Club and Mountview Resource Centre. Thanks to all those who participated in the vote.
- As it was noted that the Croi Mhaire Foodbank are not a registered charity but a local initiative looking for food donations, a suggestion was made to host a non-perishable food bank collection drive at the plant sale this coming spring.
- Next PA meeting: Tuesday February 3rd (as Monday February 2nd is a bank holiday).

## Role of Parents Association – New Attendees

- Partnering with the school management and staff
- Arrange talks of interest for parents throughout the academic year
- Mock interviews
- Readers for inhouse exams
- Policy review for school – parental input
- Deb Committee
- Coffee mornings
- Fundraising & fun – e.g. plant & uniform sales
- Lobbying i.e. College extension

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- Strategic plans



# Timetable of PA Activities

- Request for list of activities of the PA
  - When required
  - How much time required
  - Share with other parents to support recruitment drive
  - Amend as and when required i.e. new ideas
  - Email contact for PA → [pacastleknockcc@gmail.com](mailto:pacastleknockcc@gmail.com)



# Timetable of PA Activities

Activity	Duration of event	Time Required	Time of Year	Training	Contact
Plant Sale	Pre-Event: posters setup, delivery of flyers, buying plants, , licence from Fingal for posters, limits on cash machine etc  The event: 2 days + ½ day to setup	0-5 hours before event  ½ day -> 2.5 days weekend of event	Early May – weekend after bank holiday (10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup> May)	N	PA
Uniform Sale	Online event	A few hours + and a group in place	3 <sup>rd</sup> week June & September	N	Sonya MacGillivray / PA
Mock Interviews	1 evening circa 2-3 hours	2-3 hours +30 min preparation	Late October / early November	N	Jacqueline Moloney & Jo McAndrew /PA
Policy Reviews	A few hours 1-2 policies a year	3-4 hours a) pre policy meet, b) policy sent out for review and c) post review meeting with recommendations	Autumn & Spring	Y	PA / John Cronin
Raffle	Licence from Gardai for raffle, print tickets, ask suppliers/local businesses/parents for prizes/sponsorship	5-10 hours	Mar-May	N	PA/Karen Kearney and new owner required / PA
Transition Year Pool	A few hours	A few hours	Autumn & Spring	N	Stephen Connolly / PA
Coffee Mornings	2 hours	2-3 hours	Autumn	N	Denise Doyle
Strategy Group	1 year +	TBC	N/A	N	Colm O’Grady & John Goodwin /PA
Readers	2 hours per exam (3 <sup>rd</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> years) and depends on how many exams you do	2 hours per exam	November & Feb	Y	Sinead Morrissey Fallon / PA
Debs Committee		TBC		N	Grainne Kehoe /PA
Parental Talks	2 per annum	2-3 hours	Autumn & Spring	N	Grainne Kehoe / PA



# Finance Update

## CCC Parent's Association

### Income and Expenditure Report March 2026

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<b>Opening Balance 31/12/25</b>		<b>€ 13,211.33</b>

#### Income:

<b>Total income</b>	<b>€ 0.00</b>	<b>€ 13,211.33</b>
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#### Expenditure

Cheque 500660 (School Musical - Tuck Shop)	€ 1,602.00	
Fees and stamp duty	€ 10.57	
Cheque 500663 (Zoom Subscription)	€ 184.38	
Cheque 500661 (Mountview Resource Centre Donation)	€ 2,250.00	

<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>€ 4,046.95</b>	<b>€ 4,046.95</b>
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<b>Closing Balance as of 25/2/26</b>		<b>€ 9,164.38</b>
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#### Future Expected Adjustments

#### Expenditure

Cheque 500659 -SVDP	€ 100.00	
Cheque 500664 (Jigsaw talk Donation)	€ 400.00	
Cheque 500662 (Little Butterflies Arch Club Donation)	€ 2,250.00	
Flowers for Jigsaw Presenters	€ 50.00	
Clarks Volunteers night estimate 2024	€ 800.00	
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<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>€ 4,400.00</b>	<b>€ 4,764.38</b>
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<b>Future Closing Balance</b>		<b>€ 4,764.38</b>
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# Charity Donations Update

- Donations made on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February in the College
- 2 Cheques for €2,250 were made payable to
  - Mountview Family Resource Centre in Dublin 15
  - Little Butterflies Arch Club – Clonee
- Plan to visit the Mountview Family Resource centre
- Get both charities in to do an update at a monthly PA meetings before end of school year.
- Thanks to Sonya and her team for the fantastic work in raising these funds through the 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform sales

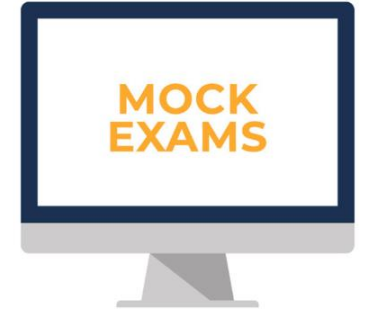


# Charity Donations Update



# Exam Support - Readers & Supervisors

- For the Mock exams 34 different exam centres supervised and parent volunteers across Leaving Cert Applied, Leaving Cert and Junior Cert
- First time reading/supervision for 9 of those volunteers
- Several commented it as a great experience both in terms of understanding what exams are like for students in 2026 and bring back memories of when they sat their own exams.
- Thanks to Sinead for organising this for several years and to all the volunteers
- If interested in volunteering please email Sinead @ [readscribecastleknockcc@gmail.com](mailto:readscribecastleknockcc@gmail.com)



## Parental Talk Jigsaw - February

- Talk took place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February
- Circa 45 -50 people attended and was very interactive
- Lorraine Halpin Service Manager at Jigsaw Dublin 15 and one of her colleagues gave the talk
- It focused on the services that are available for you adults up to 25 years of age.
- Its free and appointments are required
- A fantastic service
- There was a very interactive Q&A session
- Deck to be shared

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## Parental Talk Jigsaw - February



- As the talk is a voluntary service the Parents Association made a donation of €400 and a bouquet of flowers as a thank you
- Thanks to Grainne for organising the event

# JIGSAW

# Parking

## Burnell Park Estate – Urgent Safety Concerns:

- Estate access blocked daily during school drop-off & collection
- Cars entering at excessive speed (4pm, lunch, early Wednesdays)
- Serious risk to young children playing and walking in the estate
- Illegal parking creating potential emergency access obstruction
- Bus lanes blocked near Tir na nÓg Park and roundabout
- Will be contacting Gardai and taking note of illegal parking (car details and photos of incidents)



## Request:

- Please park responsibly
- Use the Spar car park — before a serious accident occurs.



# Plant Sale

- Plant Sale Taking Place **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May**
- Preparation under way, KO Meeting held Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February
  - Kilmoon Nursery contacted and site visit planned for March
- Applications for Fingal CC for posters to be made within the next week
- Letters to school suppliers, local business & parents re donations for Plant sale and Raffle to be made in next week
- Get Fresh have started storing boxes since late January
- Application to Gardai for raffle licence was made on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Thanks Jacqueline
- Put in the diary and spread the word as **we need lots of volunteers circa 125**
- **Recruitment Meeting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April**



# Astro Pitch Update



# College Update

John Cronin – Principal



## AOB

- Raffle:
  - We need 1-2 volunteers to help Karen Kearney with this year's raffle
  - Take it over from next year as Karen is stepping away, her last child finished in CCC in 2023
- The chair presented to the incoming 1<sup>st</sup> Year parents (Sept'26) on the 12th January the role and importance of the PA
- Discussion and decision on parental contributions
- Parental Talk with Dr Richard Hogan being pushed out to September and Grainne sourcing a replacement speaker
- Next Meeting Monday 13th April @ 7:30pm
  - ***(Also Recruitment for Plant Sale Volunteers)***



# THANK YOU PARENTS

Next Meeting Monday 13th April @ 7:30pm

*(Also Recruitment for Plant Sale Volunteers)*

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