

# Moynalvey NS

## PA Committee

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

As the Easter break approaches, it seemed like an opportune time to send out a quick note to all.

Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, we have been unable to hold an in-person PA meeting, we will aim to hold in early May.

Warm regards,

The PA Committee

### Yoga

The PA were delighted to sponsor a 6-week Yoga programme to all classes this term. We are all aware of the positive benefits that Yoga provides to build healthy bodies and minds whilst having fun at the same time!

We have received some positive feedback from parents; including the fact that the children slept really well after the class and how they seem to have been really engaged and enthusiastic.

### Pancake Tuesday

As we saw Covid restrictions start to ease, we were able to hold a Pancake morning for the children for the first time in 2 years. Thank you so much to all the parents who sent in pancakes, and in particular to those who took time to make homemade pancakes! It was a really fun morning & the children seemed to enjoy it 😊.



## Upcoming Events

### Summer Term commences

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### Early May – Date TBC

PA meeting

### 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022

3<sup>rd</sup>– 6<sup>th</sup> Class Internet Safety Talk

### 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022

New Parents Welcome evening

### 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022

2<sup>nd</sup> Class Holy Communion

### 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022 – 12pm

End of Summer term



## More Important News

### 50/ 50

Thank you for your continued support. The 50/50 is our main fundraiser that was incepted by the last committee, and usually takes place every Friday morning. It is a simple concept; €2 per envelope, whereby 50% is given out in prize money and the remaining amount is lodged to the PA bank account. Funds will be used towards the Jungle project. As our school is a 'green' school, we have started to reuse the envelopes too.

### Londis Summerhill Rewards team.

Our local Londis Summerhill have set up a smart rewards scheme to raise funds for their local schools. This is a great opportunity for us to earn Londis points for our school while shopping locally.

Every point you earn will be matched by Londis to donate a point to our school and most importantly you will not lose any of your own points. On an annual/biannual basis we can redeem our points from Londis in the form of a cheque which we can use for our school!

Simply call into Londis Summerhill and staff will assist you in getting a new card set up or linking your existing card to the school. Happy shopping!!!

## Important News

### Pauline Munnelly Retirement

Our wonderful bus driver, Pauline Munnelly will be parking up her bus for one last time this year after a fantastic 30 year tenure with the school.

So many families have benefited in the knowledge that Pauline would safely transport their children (and possibly them in their school going days!) to and from school over the years.

Pauline will be sorely missed and the school community will mark her retirement in style...more details to follow!

## Exciting Upcoming plans!

### Project Jungle

Almost 20 years ago, Fr Peter Mulvany generously donated a patch of land to the school which has been affectionately christened, 'The Jungle'. 'The Jungle' is located at the back of the school behind the old wall, and borders with Moynalvey Manor. Fr. Peter's vision was to have an outdoor classroom and garden for the children. In collaboration with the Principal, the Parent's Association have implemented a project to bring Fr. Peter's dream to fruition.

The last parent's association started the project with phase one implemented prior to Sept 2021. This involved ground works clearing, trees felled, boundary fence erected and circular hardcore pathway laid. By the end of this school year, we hope to have phase 2 implemented: erection of classroom; planting of wild flower area; and sensory area.

Phase 3 is in the planning phase, and we would love to hear your ideas of what you think would work in the area. We're thinking mud kitchen, balance beams, raised bed for each classroom to grow their own veg, cleaning and painting the walls.

We are hoping to have a Grandparents Mass in early June, fingers crossed the weather will be good for us and we'll be able to wander around the jungle. If you are interested in being involved in the development of the jungle, please reach out to us.



### Have your say...

After the break, you may notice a white 'post box' on the pillars in the carpark. This is our parents 'Suggestion Box', which will be a means for all parents to reach out to the PA with suggestions/ concerns they wish to raise.

As we don't all get an opportunity to meet up regularly to talk about our school this is one way we can get our ideas across to the PA. We will check the box on a regular basis.

### PA Members below...

- Ann Brizzell
- Catherine Byrne
- Ciara Commame
- Martina Corcoran
- Martina Cotter
- Hazel Hackett
- Trish Hanifin
- Shane Heraghty

Please feel free to reach out to any of the members of the PA



### The Vision

