

Newsletter February 2017

*It's been a busy few weeks settling back in to school after the Christmas break. We hope you're all enjoying 2017 so far. We just wanted to keep parents informed on some **upcoming events** and a few bits of housekeeping.*



*It was agreed at the last CSR meeting that we would raise money for a **defibrillator**, the wall mounted box and a first aid course for the staff of the school. We have received several quotes for the above and we hope that our target of 3,000 euro will be enough to fund all of this.*

*We are very grateful to all our parents, who continue to make great efforts in alleviating some of the **traffic and parking issues**. We wish to remind*

On **Thursday March 9th**, we will be hosting our annual **table quiz** in The Step Inn. Posters have gone up in the venue, as well as in our school. It is an event open to all, the questions will be in English, with a few sneaky gaeilge ones thrown in for good measure! Please spread the word about the quiz. There is a 10euro entry fee per person.

Sponsorship- we are encouraging families of the school to approach their work companies for sponsorship of the question rounds. We will put the business logo on the answer sheets and explain what the business is. Please get in touch with me if you have a company willing to sponsor a round. The cost will be 50euro.

On **Thursday 16th March**, we will be hosting our first ever **school disco** for the children. It will be a celebration of St Patrick's Day and Seachtain na Gaeilge. We plan for this to be a free event. We will be sending permission slips home to be signed by the parents, with emergency contact details to be filled in. We will send the note home after midterm break. The children will only have access to the school hall and the toilets attached to the hall. We will have volunteers at all doors so as nobody can go wandering. We will provide a drink and a small snack for the children.

For those parents wishing to stay on site the day of the disco, we will have a '**coffee afternoon**' running at the same time. It will be held in the parent's room. All

parents to drive with due care and attention, especially as you make that turn across the luas tracks, down past the Samuel Beckett building. Children and parents are crossing the road continually in the morning and at home time.

We would ask parents to model good road safety for the children and cross at open areas, where you are fully visible to oncoming cars.

The Chairperson of the Board of Management has assured me that it is an issue they are working on.

***L.U.A.S-** unless there is heavy rain or ice the walking bus will continue through the winter on Wednesday and Fridays at 8am, leaving from Molloy's.*

If there are any parents who are willing to help chaperone the children with our other volunteers, can you please get in touch with me.

The Reward scheme seems to have made a real difference to the amount participating each week.

Thank you to all those parents who volunteer in the mornings, both for the Luas and the 'Drop and go' system in place on the school grounds. Your contributions are appreciated by all the parents and children in the school.

parents and caregivers are welcome to stay for as long as they want. Tea, coffee cakes and biscuits will be provided.

There will be a **donation box** in the parent's room on the day for anyone wishing to make a donation. We are raising money for one of our parents to receive some much needed medical treatment abroad. Here is a link to her go fund me page, should you need any further information.

<https://www.gofundme.com/leavingms4life>

Thanks to all parents who attended our last CSR meeting. Our **next CSR meeting** will be on Wednesday 1st March. All are welcome.

Emma Kirwan
Chairperson CSR

