

In Attendance

Maria (Chair), Deirdre (Secretary), Sara, Zahid, Therese, Monika, Adele, Colm, Mary, Aisling, Paula, Aaron (Teacher Rep.), Niall (Principal).

Apologies: Somantha.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the February meeting were approved.

Principals Report

Principals report available at: <https://www.kishogecc.ie/principals-reports>.

Review of Child Protection Policy

School Child Protection Policy had been sent to all members of the Council.

Policy approved by Parents Council.

Topics for Discussion

Parents asking for information on Transition Year 2021.

This issue has been dealt with, there have been online information evenings organized for parents.

Date for return to school in September.

Parents asking, trying to hopefully organize staycations.

Aaron will ask if it would be possible to choose return date a little earlier than usual this year, to allow parents to plan.

Primary school parents asking about possibility of having a Virtual Open Night

To help with choosing schools.

Aaron will discuss this with Niall before next meeting.

Prizes for P.E, Challenge.

Maria bought 4 fitness tracker watches from Lidl, cost €120.00.

These will be dropped to the school next week to be presented to the winning students.

Report from subcommittee re virtual night for parents/students

Plan has been made for events for each term/season.

Aaron will bring this template to the Student Council and staff and ask for input and feedback.

Hopefully hold some events before end of school year.

Information re litter picking

Monika contacted SDCC and Lucan Tidy Towns.

SDCC can provide equipment - rubbish bags ,litter pickers.

They will collect provide a clean up collection of the rubbish collected.

Possibly try to organize this in the next school year.

P.E. Uniform.

Maria and Monika met with students and teachers.

Two options for the new tracksuit bottoms (leggings) an unbranded pair (€37) and a branded Canterbury pair (€47).

The unbranded leggings were chosen by the Students, Parents and Teachers.

Also looked at tracksuit bottoms and choose a tapered leg pair.

School name will be embroidered on the leggings.

P.E. Uniform bottoms will now be option of leggings or tapered tracksuit bottoms

This change to the P.E. Uniform was approved by the Parents Council.

Uniform will be available to purchase later in the summer.

A.O.B.

Aaron spoke about the organization Blue Skies, based in Clondalkin.

Ciara McMackin had asked Aaron to share this information to the Parents Council.

Blue skies work with children, teenagers, parents and teachers.

They are running courses in April about Parenting teens.

The information about these courses has been shared with the Parents Council and on the Parents Twitter and Facebook pages.

Ciara is asking if some of the parents would like to be involved and attend some of the online meetings.

Blue Skies have a Twitter - **@BlueSkiesDublin** and Facebook page – **Blue Skies Initiative**

Maria thanked Aaron for the Online C.B.A. talk, very well attended by 2nd and 3rd year parents.

At our February meeting Rachel gave the Parents council a talk on the school Student Awards Programme.

It was suggested that she might give that talk again at the Parents Council AGM next October.

Date and Time of next meeting

Thursday 22nd April at 7pm via Zoom.