

Turnbull R.C. High Annual General Meeting of Parent Council and Parent Teacher Association

12th September 2022

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Stewart Collins

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In Attendance	
Mrs. Angela Murray	PC Secretary
Mrs. Laura McManus	PC Parent member
Mrs. Sharon Hill	PC Parent member
Mr Paul Watson	PC Parent member
Mrs Angie Swann	Church representative
Mrs. Michelle Cowie	PTA Chair
Mrs. Eileen Kennedy	Head teacher
Apologies	
Cllr. Low	
Mr. Stewart Collins	PC Chair

	Agenda Item
2.	<p><u>Head Teacher's Report</u></p> <p>Mrs Kennedy took the meeting through a detailed end-of-year report. Firstly, there was an examination of this year's exam results. Key points raised were: Trend analysis is difficult due to the "COVID years" but overall, the results reflect positively on our young people. 4th year pupils (who were in the B.G.E. years during COVID restrictions) were most impacted, having missed out on Senior Phase school time during restrictions. The Literacy Curve overall, is shifting markedly to the left with 1st years, for the first time, being below the National Average. Mrs Kennedy attributed this to, amongst other things, lack of reading books.</p> <p>An in-depth exam analysis followed with Mrs Kennedy fully explaining the details and implications of the results for 5th and 6th years, the most significant being that THS produced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highest ever percentage pass rates for S5 pupils achieving 1+ Highers • Highest ever percentage pass rates for S5 pupils achieving 3+Highers • Joint highest ever pass rates for S5 pupils achieving 5 Highers • Joint highest ever pass rate for S6 pupils achieving 3+ Highers • Joint highest ever pass rate for S6 pupils achieving 1+ Advanced Higher

	<p>Turnbull has the second highest presentation levels for NPA qualifications within EDC.</p> <p>Secondary schools are piloting "Sway" for E.D.C standards and quality reports. It provides a more interactive format that allows parents to view reports, presentations and videos.</p>
3.	<p><u>Report from the P.T.A. Chair</u></p> <p>Mrs Cowie discussed the PTA finances in depth.</p> <p>Events are to be resumed after COVID with the first being a family Quiz to be held in St. Dominic's Church hall on the 30th September.</p> <p>A Groupcall will be sent out to all parents informing them that, because the 200 club draws did not take place during the COVID restrictions, there will be a superdraw with three large prizes, to compensate.</p> <p>Mrs Swann asked about the possibility of a School minibus. A discussion ensued, with the conclusion that the cost of licences, training and insurance was prohibitive, however, leasing a minibus from EDC was a possibility.</p>
4.	<p><u>Report from Parent Council Chair</u></p> <p>As Mr. Collins was absent, no report was made.</p> <p>No Office Bearers were elected due to low turnout at the meeting.</p>
5.	<p><u>Parish Representative</u></p> <p>Mrs Swann prepared an in-depth presentation of the activities and events in each of the three associate school parishes, St. Dominic's, St. Matthews and St. Andrews.</p>
11.	<p><u>A.O.C.B.</u></p> <p>Mr Watson commended the school on the excellent recently held Career Event. He praised the availability of both academic and non-academic options for the young people.</p>
12.	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the Parent Council will be on Monday 24th October 2022 at 7pm.</p>