ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
SCOIL BHRIDE PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Wednesday October 7th2026 from 19:30 in School Hall

The meeting was held in Scoil Bhride School Hall. Parents were notified via message on Aladdin

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the last AGM
2. Chairperson's Report
3. Secretary's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. School Donation
6. Principal Address – N / A
7. Election of New PA Committee
8. Guest Speaker

1. Minutes of October 2026 AGM

Propose - Cathy – second – Julie Kinsella

2. Chairperson's Report

The purpose of the AGM is to update the parent body on the activities and events that the PA committee have been involved in during the past year, to account for the money we have fundraised and spent on activities and events for the children and the school.

- elect new members to the PA, to relect any existing members who wish to remain on the committee and to elect some committee members into officer roles for the coming year.
- Each year committee members stand down and if they so choose put themselves forward for re-election.
- We currently have 10 people who are willing to be in the committee from last year. Under our constitution we can have a max 22 in our committee, so we have space for 12 new members. Thanks to all Committee members for their work last year. We had 5 members leave the committee due to their children finishing with the school and Paul Edwards has also stepped down. Many thanks to all for their valued contribution to the committee.
- Thanks to Anne-Marie McGlinchy – our teacher's rep since last year. Anne-Marie has been an excellent go between for the PA over the past year highlighting and supporting PA activities to Eimear and the teachers.
- Thanks to all the teachers, Eimear, Niamh and the Board of Management, all of whom, together with the Parents' Association (PA) work together for the benefit of the school and the children in particular.
- I have to acknowledge that due to current industrial action Anne-Marie cannot be here this evening. Thanks to Eimear for attending however unfortunately we will not have a Principal's address this evening due to the Industrial Action.

3. Secretary's Report

- The Parents' Association enjoyed a fantastic year, hosting a variety of events to raise funds and support our school
- Our monthly meetings continue to be held online & we have great attendance every month. The committee and helpers' group has worked very well together, we have had good commitment and support for all of our activities.

Fundraising:

There were two main fundraising streams this year:

- We had two 'no uniform' days in November and February and these were both extremely successful in raising money.
- In April, we had our **Main annual fundraiser** - the **sponsored walk** in Donadea Forest. We had a fantastic turnout for our walk this year, and we are so grateful for everyone's amazing support.
- With special thank you to all the local businesses for their very generous donations to our sponsored walk raffle.

Various events:

- the PA committee organise various other events during the year which benefit all the girls in the school:
- **Our "Go Phone Free" day in October was a huge success!** Family comedian Reuben kept us entertained with a hilarious show about tech distraction, and we achieved an incredible **81% sign-up rate for our charter**.
- In December we were delighted to be able to organise **Christmas entertainment** for all the classes. With special thanks to Mr & Mrs Claus who sat in their grotto for many hours while each class visited with them and sang them festive songs. *Magic is really in the air that day!!*
- This year each child received a tube of sweets, causing great excitement and Christmas cheer.
- Each class also received a big bag of special gifts from Santa.
- The **Confirmation** and **First Communion** took place in March and May respectively. The flowers in the church for both these ceremonies were funded by the Parents Associations of both Scoil Bhríde and Scoil Phádraig.
- We were delighted to host two Communion parties for the girls of Scoil Bhride after their communion mass. These were a lovely celebration for the children and their families.
- In June, the parent's association organised an appreciation lunch for the staff and this was well received. Many thanks to the parents who provided home baking for this event!
- A few other things we contributed to this year were a new keyboard and sound system for the choir & the annual visit from the ice cream van, ensuring all pupils and staff can enjoy a special celebration before the summer holidays.
- Our **final event of the year**,
  The 6th class graduation ceremony also took place the end of June to mark the end of the girls 8 years in primary school. This was a fabulous evening where the girls and their parents were treated to a Graduation party after the graduation ceremony in the school.

- We also produced a yearbook for the occasion, which was presented to each girl and is a lovely keepsake of their time in Scoil Bhride.
- Again, huge thanks to the many volunteers school wide who provided baked goods and treats for this occasion.

4. Treasurer's Report

Scoil Bhride Clane - Parents' Association Annual Accounts

Income & Expenditure Account for the School Year ended 31st August 2026

Category / Description	Notes / Breakdown	Amount (€)
INCOME		
Fundraising Events	- Winter Woolies Q4 2025: €835.04 - Valentines Day Q1 2026: €673.50 - Sponsored walk / fundraiser & iDonate Q2 2026: €11,658.92	€13,167.46
Voluntary Contributions	No separate voluntary contributions during the period	-
Grants & Sponsorships	No grants or sponsorship income during the period	-
Other Income	No other income identified in the period	-
Total Income		**€13,167.46**
EXPENDITURE		
School Equipment & Resources	Musical keyboard / choir project	€700.00
Student Events & Activities	- Christmas/classroom gifts Q4 2025: €2,275.00 - Communion/Confirmation Q1&2 2026: €542.43 - Graduation/6th class Q2 2026: €1,036.36	€3,853.79
Subsidies & Extra-Curricular	Go Phone Free Week entertainment Q4 2025	€550.00
Insurance & Affiliation Fees	PA insurance renewal (Allianz/Arachas) Q3 2025	€230.00
Running & Administrative Costs	Sponsored walk goodie bags €385.00 and voucher €50.00 Q2 2026	€435.00
Donations / Specific Projects	Annual PA donation to school Q3 2025	€5,000.00
Total Expenditure		**€10,768.79**
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year		**€2,398.67**

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities as of 31st August 2026

Financial Component	Details	Amount (€)
CASH & BANK BALANCES		
Credit Union Deposit Account (Closing Balance)	Balance after 10 Aug 2026 graduation booklet payment; no further Aug transactions	€13,325.30
Credit Union Share Account	Non Personal Shares balance	€5.00
Cash on Hand	No petty cash / cash on hand identified	-
Total Assets		**€13,330.30**
RECONCILIATION OF ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Opening Accumulated Fund	Closing funds at 31 Aug 2025: deposit €10,926.63 + share account €5.00	€10,931.63
Add: Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year	Automatically pulled from Income Statement	€2,398.67
Closing Accumulated Fund		**€13,330.30**
POST YEAR-END NOTE	Payments made after 31 August 2026; excluded from the accounts above	
11 Sep 2026 – Parents Council fees	Paid after year end	€175.00
29 Sep 2026 – PA insurance renewal	Annual insurance renewal	€230.00
30 Sep 2026 – Go Phone Free cost sharing	Parents Council / school initiative	€32.00
5 Oct 2026 – Staff appreciation lunch (held June 2026)	Annual staff appreciation lunch	€580.00
Total Post Year-End Expenses	1 September to 7 October 2026	**€1,017.00**
Credit Union Deposit Balance at 7 Oct 2026	Current balance supplied by Treasurer; reconciles to €13,325.30 less €1,017.00 post-year-end payments	**€12,308.30**
Accounting treatment	These payments are post year-end and do not alter the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2026.	

5. School Donation

Confirm that the PA will donate €5,000 to the school following this meeting.

6. Principal's Address

None

7. Election of Officer Roles & PA Committee

Summary of Positions:

- **Chair Person Role**: Oversees the goals of the PA Association and prepares the meetings
- **Secretary Role**: prepares all the communication and messages to the PA Committee
- **Minutes Role**: Prepares all minutes from the meetings and circulates them to the PA Committee and Principal
- **Treasurer Role**: Records all finance expenditure & receipts

Officer Roles

(Karen Graham) Chair person – Propose: Mary B –Second: Lorraine F

(Sharon Reilly) Vice chair person – Propose: Mary B –Second: Cathy

(Cathy Nolan) Secretary – Propose: Julie K –Second: Eimear

(Sharon Gibbons) Vice secretary – Propose: Ciara M –Second: Eimear

(Julie Kinsella) Treasurer – Propose: Sharon G – Second: Sharon R

Vice Treasurer – VACANT

(Lorraine Flynn) Minutes secretary – Propose: Cathy –Second: Eimear

(Mary Barrett) Vice Minutes – Propose: Julie – Second: Eimear

Committee Members – propose and second

- Ciara Carroll – Propose/Second: Cathy / Mary
- Lorraine Flynn – Propose/Second: Julie / Sharon G.
- Mary Barrett – Propose/Second: Ciara / Skye
- Megan Newlands – Propose/Second: Julie / Cathy
- Portia Vijay – Propose/Second: Eimear / Sharon G.

8. Guest Speaker: Deirdre from the National Parents Council on the topic 'Strenghten your Parent-Child Bond'

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