

THURLES C.B.S. SECONDARY SCHOOL

Parents Council 2011-2012

Parents Council Table Quiz

Each year the Parents Council of Thurles CBS organise a number of fund raising events such as bag packing, cake sales, no uniform days, tickets for raffles and so on.

The funds raised enable the Council to fund many worthwhile events organised throughout the year including the Creative Writing Awards and organising lectures and discussions at regular intervals (on topics pertinent to the education of students) for the benefit of parents. For example, it has been arranged that John Lonergan, ex-Governor of Mountjoy Prison, will visit the school to give a talk. The date has yet to be confirmed.

The Parents Council also provide the refreshments to parents and students at open days, prize nights, information nights and so on.

This year the Council will be holding a *Table Quiz* night on Friday 23rd March in the school for all parents and friends that they bring along. It is hoped that this event will provide most of the funds required this year. It should be a fun night and a great way for parents to meet and get acquainted. Hope for a great turn out etc. etc.

Practical advantages for a Parents Council

- 1) The child whose parents are involved in his/her formal education becomes more aware of the purpose of education and gains new respect for it.
- 2) Misunderstandings can be avoided if parents are aware of school structures.
- 3) The Parents Council in a school has statutory recognition under the Education Act 1998 and will be consulted with regard to certain policies.
- 4) The Parents Council is the essential basic unit in the formation of the National Parents Council Post Primary where parents are consulted nationally as a partner in education.

Mr John Judge
Chairman
Parents Council

Council Members 2011/12

1st. Year

Mary O'Dwyer
Michelle O'Sullivan
Mary Fanning
Martina Kerrane
Liz O'Sullivan

2nd. Year

Mary Ryan
Ann Meagher
Mary Murphy

3rd. Year

Michael Troy
Judith Fennelly
Martin Mernagh

4th. Year

John O'Loughlin
Laura Bourke-Ryan
Kathleen Sheehan
Jacequeline Humphries

5th. Year

Josephine Long
John Judge
Ann Marie Maher

6th. Year

Billy O'Dwyer

OFFICERS ELECTED

Chairperson: John Judge
Vice Chairperson: Michelle O'Sullivan
Secretary: Kathleen Sheehan
Assistant Secretary: Mary Ryan
Treasurer: Billy O'Dwyer
Catering Officer: Mary O'Dwyer

