



Parents' Association Committee Election details below



St. Peter's National School Parents' Association Committee (SPPAC) Election

**Thursday, 18th of May at 6:30p.m. in
St. Peter's National School hall**

What will we do?

Working in partnership with the Board of Management, Principal and teachers of the school, the Parents' Association Committee (PA) exists/will exist to support the parents/guardians of the children and to help enrich the education of our children. The PA will work to run activities for the children and help out at school occasions, as well as fundraise from time to time. The funds raised will be donated back to the school each year, and help to improve the facilities and activities for all of the children.

St. Peter's National School in conjunction with the National Parents' Council (NPC) are delighted to announce that we will be hosting our Parents' Association Committee election for all parents of St. Peter's National School on the 18th of May at 6:30p.m.

We invite all of our parents to attend and have a say in the election process. We are aiming to elect a committee of 12 members with the three main officer roles (chairperson, secretary and treasurer) being assigned once the committee host their first official meeting.





Brief outline of the NPC's role on the night

Election night: On the night of the election, any parent/guardian putting their name forward for election will be given an opportunity to speak for 1-2 minutes before our election takes place. St. Peter's Parents' Association Committee (SPPAC) will be formed with the best interests of all of our children in mind (working in conjunction with both the staff of the school and the wider school community).

How can you get involved?

The Parents' Association will have a small committee but otherwise relies on parents/guardians to help out in any way they can.

This can include:

- Sharing skills and/or ideas
- Giving feedback on parent/guardian views on aspects of school policy (e.g. homework policy, anti-bullying)
- Hospitality – arranging coffee/tea at school events e.g. bake sales, Grandparents' day, Graduation from sixth class, Sacraments
- Help run the parents' room
- Enjoy evening talks from guest speakers
- Give career talks - come into the school and talk to the children about your job
- Volunteer as class representative - be a point of contact for parents/guardians to communicate with each other and arrange out-of-school social events for the parents of the class to get to know each other
- Organising events e.g. Table Quiz, Art competition, Santa visit, Easter Bunny, Carol service, music events, second-hand book and uniform sale, Family Fun Day etc.
- Fundraising organisation and assistance

5 reasons to be part of the Parents' Association

1. Becoming an active member of the Parents' Association is very rewarding and a great way to get to know the workings of the school, as well as other parents and guardians at the school.
2. Budgets at every school are tight. Money raised in school fundraisers is often used to pay for those little extras - toys in the classroom or a bus for a school trip.
3. By joining the PA, you have the chance to promote and enhance the school's standing within the local community.
4. Everyone has different talents and skills they can bring to the PA and there are plenty of ways of incorporating all the different things that people can offer.
5. The commitment isn't too much. The occasional meeting and odd fundraiser.

Communication

The PA communicates with parents in the following ways:

- A. Email - we will seek to create a dedicated email address for parental communication
- B. Notes in schoolbags
- C. Digital Newsletter/school website
- D. Parents' Association Notice Board
- E. Class representative- to be considered and established if deemed appropriate



Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.

[Malcolm X](#)



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