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Parents Association Meeting September 19th

Opening Prayer:

Apologies:

Minutes

Proposed:

Seconded:

Matters Arising

Correspondence

Events to Date:

Tuesday August 23rd

- 9.30am – 3.00pm: First Year Book Rental in the GPA
- 11.00am – 2.00pm: Induction of new staff (Room 02)

Wednesday August 24th

- **9.30am – 3.00pm:** Second Year Book Rental & Third Year Book Rental in the GPA
- **9.15am – 10.45 am:** Staff prayer service to begin the school year followed by Staff Meeting
- **10:45am - 11:00am:** Break.
- **11:00am- 11.40am:** Guidance Meeting / Programme Coordinators & SET meeting
- **11.00am- 1.00pm:** Subject Department Planning

Thursday August 25th

- First Year Induction Activities
- Staff Planning / CPD

Friday August 26th

- First Year Induction Activities
- Staff Wellbeing Committee meeting 12.30pm
- Staff Planning / CPD

Monday August 29th

- Sixth & Third Year students return to school
- Musical Rehearsals
- CEIST Online Induction for new staff

Tuesday August 30th

- Fifth, Fourth & Second Year students return to school

Wednesday August 31st

- Meeting of 1L, 2L & 3L teachers in Room 30 at 1.20pm
- Musical Rehearsals

Thursday September 1st

- Year Head Meeting in Iontas 2.00pm

Friday September 2nd

- Leaving Certificate results
- Musical Rehearsals

Monday September 5th

- Senior Girls GAA training 8.00am
- Musical Rehearsals
- Compass CPD on inputting test results Room 30 12.20pm -12.40pm
- Compass CPD on entering positive / negative comments and wellbeing awards Room 03 13.20pm -13.40pm
- Senior Boys GAA training 1.15pm
- Student Support Meeting in Iontas at 2.00pm
- LCA Meeting 4.00pm
- Evening Study

Tuesday September 6th

- Musical Rehearsals
- First Year GAA Lunchtime League
- Evening Study

Wednesday September 7th

- Musical Rehearsals
- Evening Study
- Senior Boys GAA 1.15pm

Thursday September 8th

- Compass CPD on entering student wellbeing awards Room 30 12.20pm - 12.40pm
- First Year GAA Lunchtime League
- TY Induction Day (Muckno Adventure Centre/Create the Great in You Workshop)
- Year Head Meeting in Iontas 2.00pm
- Evening Study

Friday September 9th

- Senior Boys GAA training 8.00am
- First Year GAA Lunchtime League
- Compass CPD on marking rolls on different devices Room 02 12.20pm - 12.40pm
- TY Induction Day (Muckno Adventure Centre/Create the Great in You Workshop)

Monday September 12th

- Senior Girls GAA training 8.00am
- Senior Boys GAA training 1.15pm
- Student Support Meeting in Iontas at 2.00pm
- Evening Study
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- U/16 & U/19 Girls Basketball 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Sixth Year Information Evening 7.15pm

Tuesday September 13th

- First Year GAA Lunchtime League
- Eco Club Meeting 12.20pm Room 39
- Evening Study
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- U/19 Boys Basketball 4.00pm – 5.00pm

Wednesday September 14th

- Musical Rehearsals
- Evening Study
- Senior Boys GAA 1.45pm
- U/14 Boys GAA 1.30pm
- U/16 Boys Basketball 1.20pm

Thursday September 15th

- Musical Rehearsals
- Ulster Schools Athletics
- First Year Aptitude Tests
- First Year GAA Lunchtime League
- Year Head Meeting in Iontas 2.00pm
- TY Innovating Communities Workshop
- Evening Study
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm

Friday September 16th

- Musical Rehearsals
- Senior Boys GAA training 8.00am
- First Year GAA Lunchtime League
- Evening Study
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm

Monday September 19th

- U/19 Boys Basketball game
- Senior Girls GAA challenge match
- Musical Rehearsals
- Senior Boys GAA training 1.15pm
- Student Support Meeting in Iontas at 2.00pm
- Teaching & Learning Committee meeting 4.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm

Tuesday September 20th

- Opening School Mass
- U/16 Boys Basketball game
- First Year GAA Lunchtime League
- Eco Club Meeting 12.20pm Room 39
- U/19 Boys Basketball training 4.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm – 6.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Parents Association Meeting 7.30pm

Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday September 21st:** First Year Boys GAA Blitz
- **Thursday September 22nd:** Sixth Year Higher Options Conference
- **Thursday September 22nd:** TY Innovating Communities Workshop
- **Thursday September 22nd:** First Year Mass
- **Monday September 26th- Friday September 30th:** Wellbeing Week- Being Spiritual
- **Tuesday September 27th:** TY Hike to Greystones
- **Tuesday September 27th:** Sixth Year Retreat to Lough Derg
- **Wednesday September 28th:** Second Year Boys GAA Blitz
- **Saturday October 1st:** Inter Schools Equestrian Competition
- **Monday October 3rd:** Fifth & Sixth Year trip to the Dail (Politics & Society class)
- **Monday October 3rd:** First Year Information Evening
- **Monday October 3rd:** Sixth Year Reports sent home
- **Wednesday October 5th:** Third Year Boys GAA Blitz
- **Wednesday October 5th:** U/16 & U/19 Boys Basketball
- **Thursday October 6th:** TY Circus Skills Workshop
- **Thursday October 6th:** U/16 & U/19 Girls Basketball
- **Thursday October 6th:** Board of Management meeting
- **Friday October 7th:** Ulster Ladies GAA All Star trials
- **Tuesday October 11th- Thursday October 13th:** Student Cardiac Screening
- **Tuesday October 11th- Friday October 14th:** Musical
- **Wednesday October 12th:** First Year Girls GAA Blitz
- **Thursday October 13th:** U/16 & U/19 Boys Basketball
- **Friday October 14th:** LCA 1 & LCA 2, TY, 5th, 6th Art Students - Art Trip to the Vincent Van Gogh Exhibition
- **Saturday October 15th:** Inter Schools Equestrian Competition
- **Monday October 17th:** First Year Vaccinations
- **Monday October 17th:** U/16 & U/19 Boys Basketball
- **Monday October 17th:** Sixth Year October Assessments (based on 5th Year revision work)
- **Monday October 17th:** Teaching & Learning Committee Meeting

- **Tuesday October 18th:** U/16 & U/19 Girls Basketball
- **Wednesday October 19th:** First & Second Year Boys & Girls Hurling & Camogie Blitz
- **Monday October 24th:** TY CV/ Interview Skills Workshop
- **Monday October 17th:** U/16 & U/19 Boys Basketball
- **Monday October 24th:** Third Year October Assessments (based on 2nd Year revision work)
- **Monday October 24th- Friday October 28th:** Wellbeing Week- Being Safe, Social & Confident
- **Tuesday October 25th:** U/16 & U/19 Girls Basketball
- **Thursday October 27th:** Open Night (provisional)

Learning & Teaching

- Report on the Leaving Certificate & Leaving Certificate Applied Results.
- Athena Tracking
- Teaching & Learning is on the agenda for all staff & Subject Department Meetings.
- A meeting of the Guidance & SET team took place on August 24th.
- A meeting of L2LP teachers took place on August 31st. Students from the L2LP classes have been visiting businesses in the local community.
- The SEN team meet on a regular basis. A presentation on SEN / Resource was made to staff at the start of year staff meeting.
- A meeting of LCA teachers took place on Monday September 5th.
- A meeting of the Teaching & Learning Committee took place on Monday September 19th. Teachers present had a conversation on the following areas:
 - As a school how can we share good practice in Teaching & Learning?
 - How can the work of the Teaching & Learning Committee be shared at whole staff level?
- School Self-Evaluation: The development of our areas of focus for School Self Evaluation for the forthcoming year will continue through the Teaching & Learning Committee, Subject Department meetings and staff meetings and will focus on the following areas:
 - ICT
 - Literacy
 - Numeracy
 - Questioning
 - Formative Assessment
 - Wellbeing Weeks
- An online Information Evening for Sixth Year students and their parents & guardians was held on Monday September 12th.
- Leaving Certificate Applied students completed team bonding activities at Lough Muckno Adventure Centre.

- First Year students completed their Aptitude tests on September 15th.
- Evening Study takes places from 4pm – 6pm for Third & Sixth Year students.
- A homework club for First Year students takes place from 4.00pm – 5.00pm. First Year students are supported by our SNA's and TY students.

Extra Curricular

- Trials & training has commenced for the following GAA teams: Senior Boys, Senior Girls, U/16 Girls, U/16 Boys and U/14 Boys.
- GAA lunchtime leagues have commenced for First Year boys.
- Basketball training has commenced for the following teams: U/19 Boys, U/19 Girls, U/16 Girls & U/16 Boys.
- Rehearsals continue for this years musical Rock of Ages that will be performed in Iontas theatre in early October.
- Transition Year
 - TY Induction Day at Lough Muckno
 - TY Create the Great in You Workshop
 - TY Innovating Communities Workshop
 - TY Mini Company talk
- The Eco Club are meeting on Tuesday at lunchtime.
- The Junior Art Club are meeting on Thursday at lunchtime.

Student Voice

- Sixth Year Student Leaders
- Student Council

Student Support & Discipline

Student Support

- Student Support Meetings
- The external counsellor
- The school meals programme

Discipline

- Council of Discipline Meetings

Faith Life of the School

- Star of year prayer service
- Start of year assemblies
- Opening School Mass
- First Year Mass

Plant Development & Maintenance

- New extension
- Astro turf pitch
- Practical Subjects

AOB

- School Strategic Plan
- Compass Education Ireland

