BSRAC Parents association Committee meeting Monday 17/01/2022 @ 7.30pm

Attendees:

Aisling Muldowney

Claire Donovan

Jessica Browne

Stephanie Burns

Arancha Comenge

Sarah Aherne

Patrick O’Donoghue

Ruth Houlihan

Claire Anderson

Cheralyn Finn

Liz Russell

Johanna Fitzpatrick

Agenda:

1. Child Safeguarding statement
2. Healthy Eating Policy
3. Position of PRO
4. Sub Committee Leadership
5. Wording of Google Form
6. Meeting Schedule
7. Garden
8. AOB

1. Child Safeguarding statement

* Clarification needed on entry points – Does stating COVID policy cover these changes? Perhaps the addition of “outside of school collection times” may be needed.
* Is there any measure can be taken to secure online meetings e.g. always using the schools host platform i.e. google meet/Teams
* A number of grammatical spelling corrections
* Addition of footnote of the other school policies referred to within the safeguarding policy itself
* The need for inclusion of the next scheduled review date and record of any amendment made

2. Healthy Eating Policy

* Happy with overall policy, teacher discretion very important, children’s sensory/personal issues etc must be considered.
* Need for more consistency across classes and the replacement of jelly treats for things like table of the week with physical rewards e.g. yard time/homework pass
* Introduction of “lunchbox of the month” awards, “healthy eating hall of fame”
* Food dudes very much welcomed
* Will explore “lunchbox.ie” perhaps a good option for people – concerns about accessibility and the green schools status related to such a programme.
* The idea of having a big relaunch of the healthy food policy with a series of events(fundraising) – Cookery demonstration, healthy lunch box fillers/breakfasts; Cookbook – parents/teachers/kids favourite healthy recipes; book reading of healthy eating story – tap into our local resources.

3. Position of PRO

* Cheralyn Finn nominated by Aisling and seconded by Claire Donovan as PRO
* Ideas for PA introduction to wider parent community

4. Sub Committee Leadership

* Caper – Jessica/Arancha/Claire Anderson
* Policy – Aisling/Arancha
* Garden – Liz/Sarah/Joanne/Ruth/Claire Anderson/
* Fundraising – Joanne/Liz/Sarah/Arancha/Steph/Cheralyn
* Community engagement – Aisling/Cheralyn/Sarah
* STEM – Ruth/Pa
  + Claire Donovan happy to help out in any area

5. Wording of Google Form

* Question 2 re-worded to

1. Regular(weekly/monthly)
2. Occasional
3. Single event

* Parents to have a fortnight deadline to complete, reminder to be sent after 1 week

6. Meeting Schedule

* Committee to meet monthly, or when required, until established, will review frequency at Aprils meeting.

7. Garden

* Liz will liaise and update at next meeting or through WhatsApp group, meeting can be arranged if need before next scheduled

8. AOB

* Further discuss garden and discuss some wellbeing initiatives in line with the schools improvement plan at February meeting

Next meeting Monday 07/02/2022 @7.30pm