

Blessed Trinity RC College PTFA Annual Report

Report from the Chair of the PTFA for the year October 2012 to September 2013

Monthly Meetings

There have been 10 monthly meetings of the PTFA during the last school year. The Annual General Meeting of October 2012 was unfortunately not well attended, with only 6 parents and two members of staff present. The majority of the monthly meetings have been poorly attended with an average of 8 attendees. Efforts continue to be made to encourage new members and I would like to thank, once again, the members who continue to attend.

Fund Raising

Money was raised from events organised throughout the last academic year:

Fashion Show and Christmas Fair
Raffle organised at various events
Spring Ball
Spring Fair

The Fashion Show was a success. However, we only just reached the required number of 80 people to make it viable. The event raised approximately £300 for the PTFA funds. We need to look carefully at marketing strategies if this event is to take place again.

There has been considerable effort put into organising these events, particularly the Spring Ball and Spring Fair. The Ball was a huge success and a sell out. Money raised through ticket sales and raffle equated to £709. We decided again to hold a Spring Fair but this was poorly attended. It was felt that maybe this event was aimed at primary children rather than high school students which resulted in poor attendance. However, that said, we still raised approximately £600. Maybe now is the time to look at new suggestions and ideas for future fundraising events.

The Monthly Draw

The monthly draw continues to be a regular source of income for the PTFA. However, due to the low number of members return is minimal. There is a monthly prize fund of £200. At the moment there are approximately 210 members (300 numbers available). We continue to make every effort to promote and encourage new members.

Donations to the School

One of the main purposes of the PTFA is to raise funds in order to support the school in providing additional resources.

In the last academic year we have donated:

- £800 to the art department for a visualiser, new media and observational drawing objects
- £500 to fund a project called 'Literacy across the Curriculum'.
- £200 to buy gifts for 2013 school leavers.
- £350 to the Sports Award Evening
- £220 to the DT department to purchase a mincer and jam maker
- £500 to PE department to purchase camping equipment for The Duke of Edinburgh
- £300 contribution for a student to attend the Catholic games
- £462 to buy sticks of rock to celebrate Trinity Day.
- £300 to support Year 8 student to attend British Ju-Jitsu International Championship Competition in South Africa.

A grand total of £3632!! We are all extremely proud of the many achievements attained by the school pupils and leavers and we look forward to supporting other pupils in the future.

Thank you to all parents, teachers and friends who support the PTFA by donating raffle prizes and purchasing raffle tickets at the various events held in school.

In Conclusion

Thanks to all the PTFA members, parents, staff and friends of Blessed Trinity RC College for their continued support. I hope you will all continue to offer your help and support throughout the next year and encourage other parents to join us.

It is through people like yourselves that the PTFA has been able to donate substantial amounts of money to the school whilst continuing to maintain a reasonably healthy bank balance.

Debra Frost

Chairperson