

## Guardian Angels' National School -**Your** Parent Teacher Association Newsletter

Sept 2019

Dates for your diary
Term 1:
Parents talk & AGM –
Thurs 26th Sept @ 7.30
<mark>p.m.</mark>
School sponsored walk –
<mark>Friday 04<sup>th</sup> Oct</mark>

#### A New School Year

Happy new school year to all parents and children! From all the members of the `Guardian Angels` School Parents and Teachers Association (PTA), we wish you all a fantastic new school year for 2019/20. Thanks for all your great support last year and we look forward to working with you in this new school year. We would especially like to welcome the new children and parents who have joined the school. We were delighted to have hosted a 'welcome tea and coffee reception' for the new junior infant parents and parents of other children joining the school this year.

#### Sponsored walk:

Our annual 'Sponsored Walk' takes place on Friday 04<sup>th</sup> Oct. The children will take part in a walk (during school time). We ask you to help and support this event by sponsoring your child. This is our big 'annual fundraiser' for the school.

It is events like this that have enabled the PTA to fund the recent refurbishment of the Halla that cost ca €11,000. Sponsorship cards will be arriving home soon – we plan to replace old interactive white boards with funds raised.

#### Parents Talk & PTA AGM

This year we are looking for 6 new PTA members.

An evening not to be missed! Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm.

We are delighted to announce that we have been very lucky to secure the attendance of Stella O'Malley (mental health professional, bestselling author and public speaker). She is a regular contributor to the Irish Independent, Sunday independent, Newstalk FM and Today FM. The mental health talk that she will give at our school is called "Bully-Proof Kids: Raising Happy Kids in an Anxious World". The PTA has also secured sponsorship to cover part of her fee. Click on this link for more details. A drinks reception will follow after the talks.

Everyone is invited – the annual AGM of your Parent Teacher Association will take place in the school Halla. During the AGM you will be given a run through of the events that are organized and supported by the committee during the year and the annual accounts will be presented. We will also be nominating new members onto the PTA – please see nomination form attached. **Why should I bother going?** All parent/guardians of children who attend the school are considered to be members of the PTA. From this group a committee is elected each year to act on your behalf. Your presence on the night shows your support for the PTA and gives you an insight into the running of the school where your children spend so much of their formative years.

2 new parent members will also be voted for the Board of Management.

If you can't join the PTA committee then perhaps you might consider volunteering for events? Some of our super parent volunteers finished up in June as their children progressed to secondary school. We are always looking for replacements. Please post this attached form in the PTA post box in the school foyer for the attention of Johnny Lyons, PTA Chairperson on or before 2.30pm Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Sep 2019. Alternatively email <u>PTAGuardianangels@gmail.com</u>

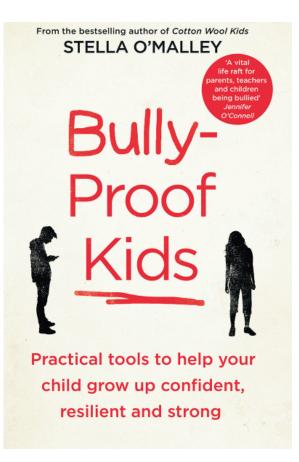
## GANS Parents evening with Guest Speaker



## Thursday 26th September @ 7.30pm

## **Bully-Proof Kids**

### **Raising Happy Children in an Anxious world**



# Guest Speaker Stella O'Malley

Psychotherapist, Public speaker, Mental Health & Wellbeing professional and best selling author



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Booking not essential but attendence is encouraged as this is a well sought after speaker and would benefit all children in every class.

We will also be electing new parents to the PTA as a number of current PTA members are stepping down after giving their service for a few years. Further details in this months Newsletter.

#### Parent Teacher Association Committee Nomination Form

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Parent of	in	class(es)
Would like to put my name for	ward as a nominee for the Parent Teacher	Association Committe
Signature:	Phone No	
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Please submit this completed n Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2019.	omination form to the PTA post box (in th	e foyer) by 2.30pm on
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During the school day	After School Weekends/ Evening	çs
Everyone is welcome and we do	o appreciate any time or help you can give	