



# Guardian Angels' National School - **Your** Parent Teacher Association Newsletter October 2019

## Dates for your diary

### Term 1

Lost and found: Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>

School Disco: Oct 24<sup>th</sup>

Halloween Mid-Term Break:  
October 28<sup>th</sup> to November 1<sup>st</sup>  
(inclusive) -note: normal  
closing times on Friday Oct  
25<sup>th</sup>

Parent teacher meetings: Nov  
14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> (junior infants  
will be in Jan)

Cake Sale: Nov 29<sup>th</sup>

### Term 2

Confirmation: March 27<sup>th</sup>

### Term 3

First Holy Communion: May  
09<sup>th</sup>

## PTA Members 2019/20

Please click link here of our  
current PTA members and the  
classes our children are in.

As always, we appreciate  
your support and help at our  
various fundraising and social  
events.

The PTA Email is:  
[ptaguardianangels@gmail.com](mailto:ptaguardianangels@gmail.com)

## Thank you!

We would like to thank all the mums, dads and guardians who participated in the **AGM of your Parent Teacher Association on September 26<sup>th</sup>**. We had a super turnout of 80 parents. We welcomed 6 new PTA committee members, Ciara Calder, Anne-Marie Carroll, John Murray, Kevin Burn, Iva Bedzula Prebeg, Jennifer Inglis and of course, we would like to thank our outgoing PTA members, Johnny Lyons (Chair), Kevin Armstrong (Secretary), Tara Byrne (Treasurer,) Penny Quinn, Christine Higgins and Paulina Furmaniak for their wonderful and selfless contribution of their time and valuable effort & all of their unnoticed work that goes on behind the scenes!!! over last three years in making our school better and better each year for all our children.

Our guest speaker at this year's AGM, was [Stella O'Malley](#) (mental health professional, bestselling author and public speaker). She gave a very informative and helpful talk on "Bully-Proof Kids: Raising Happy Kids in an Anxious World". We know that Stella was invited to a prestigious international conference on the same evening as our school talk but honoured her commitment in coming to our school. We thank her for this dedication to local primary schools and in helping parents weave through modern society and the challenges as parents we face on a day to day basis.

Thank you to [Hire Here Ltd.](#) who kindly sponsored the guest speaker at this year's AGM.

The annual **Sponsored Walk** took place on **Thursday, October 03<sup>th</sup> Oct ahead of storm Lorenzo and Friday 04<sup>th</sup> Oct**. Over the years this event has been our biggest fund raiser for the school. Thank you to [Reads](#) of Sandyford who kindly provided the sponsorship cards free of charge. Many thanks to those who have already returned their sponsorship cards. Any remaining cards please send into school ASAP. They can be given to class teachers or to Cathy in the office.

School Disco! Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>  
October



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- **School disco: Click here for poster:** Due to popular demand and following the success of previous discos there will be a school disco on October 24<sup>th</sup> in the Halla. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> classes at 5.00pm to 6.00pm and 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Fancy dress is optional. Each child will need a ticket. The cost is €5 per child or €10 per family. There will be spot prizes at both discos too! All children will be closely supervised. **Why not join the fun and volunteer to help run the event**, an opportunity to attend your child's first disco!!! We need people to help supervise all areas including the car park. There will a water station set up in foyer. For health and safety reasons no water allowed in Halla.
- **Number of tickets issued will be based on no of volunteers available at time, parents to avoid children's disappointment please put your name down now to volunteer.** Click on doodle link below. 🙏
- <https://doodle.com/poll/ty5r6xbm6mwa3zsb>
- **and enter your name and contact details.**
- Tickets will go on sale the week before from Friday Oct 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Only children from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class can attend their discos at their allocated time. Volunteers unfortunately cannot bring younger or older siblings/other children along. Junior and senior infants' disco will be on next day Oct 25<sup>th</sup> during school.

**Christmas card Fundraiser:** Thank you all for completing the Christmas card templates on time on 03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, the designs look great, very impressive and great numbers for our school approx. 400. They are with the printers in Kerry. We will be in touch once the children's individual order forms and sample cards come back from printers (hopefully before mid-term break). We are on schedule for you to purchase the cards in time to give to your family and friends for Christmas. This year again for all orders placed the child's card design will be entered for one of 5 GANS best creative design awards with a pressie! The very best of luck to all our inspiring and creative young artists.

**Upcoming fundraising Activities:** A significant tranche (€11000) of PTA funds was used to support the halla refurbishment. We are looking forward to your valuable support in this year fundraising activities to help pay for the mandatory P.E department, replacement of 2 whiteboards, confirmation, communion, graduation, AGM and new parents morning refreshments, hockey, mindfulness course and anything else that may arise throughout year.

**Lost and found:** Items from the lost and found storage box will be on display on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> & Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> (8.40-9.00am & 2.20-2.40pm) & Oct 24<sup>th</sup> (8.40-9.00am) This will take place at front door or inside Halla (If raining). Any unclaimed and unnamed items can be taken by another parent. All unclaimed items after Oct 24<sup>th</sup> will be donated to charity. If you can't make these days feel free to check the lost and found box that is located in the bike shed before then or ask a friend to check for you.

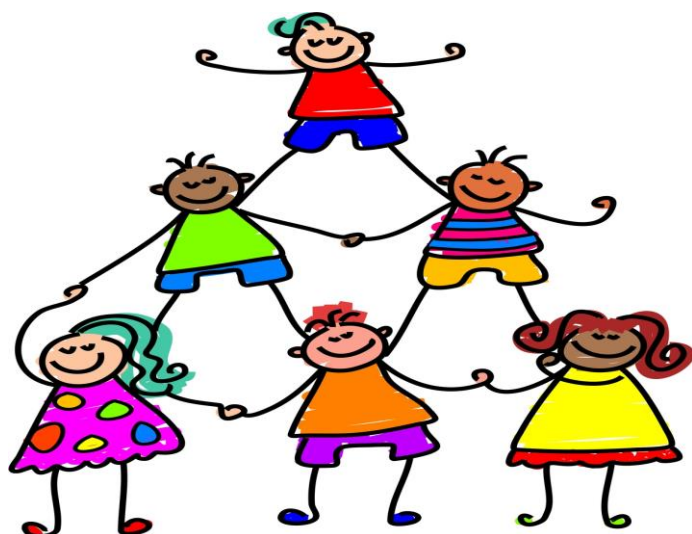
**Secondary School Open Days:** We are now entering the season when secondary schools host their open days for prospective students. This is an important year for 4<sup>th</sup> class pupils as the open days give a picture of what the various secondary schools are like. Typically, it's also when parents receive confirmation whether their son or daughter have secured a place in the secondary school they have applied for. Please click on this [link](#) for a list of open day/evening and contact numbers.

**China in my eyes:** Art competition. See PTA noticeboard for more details. Closing date Oct 20<sup>th</sup>.

**SarGhael Irish summer College for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> class:** Early bird promotion for month of October (10% discount). Click this [link](#) for more details.

## Guardian Angles N.S-PTA members 2019\_2020

Name	Child & Class	e-mail
Frances Wosser	Lauren - 4 <sup>rd</sup> class Matthew - 2 <sup>st</sup> class Eve – Senior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Louise Kelly	Thomas-3 <sup>rd</sup> class Alex-1 <sup>st</sup> class Orla - Junior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Tim Chapman	Eve - 2 <sup>st</sup> class Katie - Junior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Patrick Flynn	Cameron – 2 <sup>nd</sup> class Juliette - senior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Ciara Calder	Leila - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Poppy - Junior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Annelouise McDermott	Xander – 1st Class Skye - Junior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Catherine Greenan	Hannah-4 <sup>th</sup> class	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Anne-Marie Carroll	Charlie-3 <sup>rd</sup> class	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
John Murray	Aoibhinn-1 <sup>st</sup> class	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Iva Bedzula Prebeg	Frida-Senior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Jennifer Inglis	Daniel-senior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
Kevin Burn	Isla-Junior infants	PTAGuardianAngels@gmail.com
<b>Board of Management Reps</b>		
Paidi O'Neill		<a href="mailto:principal@guardianangels.ie">principal@guardianangels.ie</a>
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Anne Collins		annecollins15@gmail.com





# **HALLOWEEN DISCO**

**24th October 2019**

**€5 for 1 Child or €10 per Family**

**1st, 2nd, 3rd classes: 5pm to 6pm**

**4th, 5th, 6th classes: 6.30pm to 8pm**

**Fancy dress optional**



**Volunteers Needed to supervise**  
{contact pta or sign up

<https://doodle.com/poll/ty5r6xbm6mwa3zsb>

**Limited tickets available**

**(infants free disco within school hours on 25th)**