



## 5 Good reasons to join the PTA

**1. It benefits your child**

**2. It is fun and rewarding**

**3. Get to know other parents**

**4. Have your voice heard**

**5. Make a difference**

### How to get involved:

You can help as much or as little as you like and are **guaranteed a warm welcome.**



- \* You can **join our meetings** (4/5 per year) We love to see new members who are able to help and can bring fresh ideas to the table. *We also communicate via our PTA WhatsApp group.*
- \* You can volunteer your time to **support us in the events** such as helping to supervise/ make tea and coffee etc.
- \* We would also love to hear from you if you have a particular skill or service you can offer to help us in our activities.

### Help keep the PTA going

As parents leave the school we need to keep the committee going. This year we say goodbye and a heartfelt **thank you** to a number of committee members who have supported our PTA since it was first introduced.

Come join our friendly team as many hands make light work.

*Our first meeting of the year will be soon. Please check on the school website for more details or you can let our chairperson Marion Quinn know you would like to join.*



**Mary Queen of Peace Parent Teachers Association**

# Join the PTA!



**MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK**

## Who are we and what do we do?

Mary Queen of Peace PTA began in October 2016.

Our aim is to support our school community in whatever way we can:

- \* We host fundraisers such as Bingo, Disco's, Sales, Raffles and Competitions to raise funds to help the school to purchase additional resources.
- \* We apply for grants to support the purchase of larger scale play equipment and IT resources for our children.
- \* We provide refreshments for special events within the school, such as Confirmation, First Communion and Grandparents day.
- \* We also arrange events, activities and treats to support the wellbeing of our school children.

## What we have done over the last 2 years:

- \* Awarded the Rathsherry Community Benefit fund grant to purchase 9 iPads
- \* Awarded NACN/DAERA Rural Micro capital grant to purchase 5 laptops
- \* Run Halloween Hampers and a Halloween Scary Scarecrow Competition fundraiser
- \* Christmas 2020, we funded alongside GDCRA/Glenravel Together, Community wide Santa Visits for the parish.
- \* Received a NACN grant to provide Warm, Well and Connected Support Packs for every child in school including Easter treats
- \* Awarded PHA/NACN Making Life Better Grant to provide 'Fresh Little Minds' & 'The Sunshine Project' workshops/training to support Wellbeing Wednesdays in school
- \* Provided P7 confirmation and end of year treats
- \* Worked alongside GDCRA/Glenravel Together to provide a Drive Through Movie event for the community.
- \* Arranged Summer Hamper Fundraising raffle.
- \* Arranged a Uniform exchange fundraiser
- \* Ongoing Easy Fundraising from Online shopping.
- \* Fireside Christmas Quiz and Christmas Treats.
- \* Halloween Family Fun Evening fundraiser
- \* Halloween Hampers fundraiser
- \* Summer Disco and Summer hamper
- \* Cash for Clobber
- \* Support and funding at school events in 2019: Confirmation, First Holy Communion & Grandparents Day.
- \* Christmas Bingo fundraiser
- \* Fundraisers to support the provision of a new school Maths Scheme
- \* And grant funded provision of Isak 9 maths cubes for use in the classroom.

**MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

**HELP SUPPORT AND ENRICH THE EDUCATION OF OUR CHILDREN**

