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| Date & Time: | 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2018 |
| Location:    | LE CHEILE ETNS SCHOOL HALL     |

### Attendees – not sure all signed in, so apologies if any missed:

| Name              | Name            | Name            |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Sharon Hanaway    | Tracy Monson    | Glenda Deveney  |
| Rona Hughes       | Cara Driscoll   | Tess Cullen     |
| Aileen            | Patricia Ryan   | Kirsten Feehan  |
| Helen Clarke Hall | Denise Levins   | Orla Foran      |
| Jason Adams       | Carol Graham    | Lesley McCann   |
| Jeff Sweetman     | Alan Smyth      | John            |
| Sonya Carr        | Jacke Nowell    | Azami Hiroto    |
| Claire Dagger     | Fiona Rock      | Monica McKeever |
| Clodagh Ritchie   | Naomi O'Doherty | Victoria Lacey  |
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### Apologies:

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| Eimear Bermingham | Janet Johnston |      |

### Agenda

| Item | Subject  |  |
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| 1    | Garda Liaison Officer talk – cyber bullying  |  |
| 2    | Food treats in lunchboxes  |  |
| 3    | After school activities – volunteers required  |  |
| 4    | School bus rota – volunteer required   |  |
| 5    | Pupil Insurance – Final Numbers - volunteer required                                     |  |
| 6    | Fund Raising – Quiz Night – reminder – also confirmation of what next fundraising is for |  |
| 7    | Junior yard – morning supervision  |  |

### Minutes

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| 1 | Community guards from Ashbourne station, Barbara Kelly & Derek Halligan, presented the very informative cyber bullying talk. They cover 10 secondary schools and 38 national schools in the locale, and give talks to 5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> classes, and 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> years. The overriding message was keep communication lines open with your child, always encourage them to talk. They are also always available for any concerned parents. A very informative website which the guards themselves use is <a href="http://www.webwise.ie">www.webwise.ie</a> . They also left leaflets for those who attended, and additional leaflets are with Geraldine in the office for anyone who could not attend. There is also a facebook page, 'Don't be mean behind your screen', which may be of benefit with tips etc. |  |
| 2 | The school has reiterated the school policy surrounding healthy eating and no treats allowed in lunchboxes, and will re-issue the policy – this policy should be consistently followed by all parents (this helps to ensure children with allergies can   |  |

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|   | also eat safely at school). All parents should be encouraging healthy eating for their children.   |  |
| 3 | The ASA volunteers will be stepping down at the end of this school year (June 2019), and will need volunteers prior to that to enable shadowing. Please make contact ASAP with your class rep; this will work well if a few volunteer to work together on organising the ASAs (there are currently 3). Alternatively please contact <a href="mailto:lecheileptaasa@gmail.com">lecheileptaasa@gmail.com</a>   |  |
| 4 | School bus rota coordinator – Kirsten is stepping down and is looking for volunteers – please make contact with your class rep ASAP; 2 volunteers would halve the work.  |  |
| 5 | Pupil Insurance – final numbers for this year are 285 – down slightly on last year. Glenda Deveney will step into this role, and we would like to thank Lesley McCann for her role in coordinating the Pupil Insurance.  |  |
| 6 | Reminder the Quiz night is this Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> ; tickets still available on Event Brite (link here: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/le-cheile-quiz-night-fundraiser-tickets-51429278356">https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/le-cheile-quiz-night-fundraiser-tickets-51429278356</a> ). There will also be raffle tickets available on the night, with some fantastic prizes donated.<br>The fundraising this year will be going towards projectors for the whiteboards, along with laptops, and an information sheet was sent home with pupils recently on fund raising activities. |  |
| 7 | A query was raised regarding adequate supervision in the morning time of the junior infant/senior infant yard (9.10 to 9.20). It was suggested as there are a number of parents each morning who stay for the time period, if they see an incident to bring it to the supervising teacher's attention if they are not aware of the issue already (as some parents expressed concern about intervening/saying something themselves).  |  |
| 8 | School concert information was sent out this week, link to the school calendar here: <a href="http://lecheileetns.com/school-calendar/">http://lecheileetns.com/school-calendar/</a>   |  |

May we gently remind parents that without volunteering a lot of the activities currently offered would not be possible?

Any amount of time that you can give will be beneficial. Current activities which need volunteers:

ASA (after school activities) coordinators

Bus duty rota coordinator

Please make contact with your class rep ASAP for the above roles.

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| Next Meeting: | 8th JAN 2018               |
| Location:     | LE CHEILE ETNS SCHOOL HALL |