



Spring is in the air and with it brings change and new beginnings. There has been a lot of work going on in the background over the last few months to revamp the Parents' Association's image. We hope you like the end result as much as we do!

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"The St. Colmcille's Parents' Association supports the Junior and Senior schools' mission and strategic direction and builds community through active parent engagement, ongoing communication and strong partnerships"

## OUR LOGO

The logo image is in the shape of a shamrock to represent the parents, school & the pupils. Three groups that are joined together to achieve the one goal, which is to help each child reach his/her full potential.

## WHAT'S CHANGED

## FACEBOOK PAGE

We now have a facebook page! St Colmcille's Parents Association Give our facebook page the thumbs up and keep up to date with all the goings on *fed directly into your Facebook news feed!*

## OUR WEBSITE

The website address has stayed the same, everything else has changed!

[www.stcolmcillespa.com](http://www.stcolmcillespa.com)

One of the new features is our resources page that links to local clubs and activities in the area. Check it out, you won't be disappointed!

We would like to say a **HUGE THANK YOU** to **Sinead Nicholson** from **Webjourney.ie**. Sinead is a parent in the school and she offered to design our website, logo and facebook page on a voluntary basis. Sinead spent many hours designing all of these and I think you will all agree with me that the result is outstanding. We are absolutely thrilled with the end result.

**Thanks again Sinead, for all your time and hard work.**

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# SPRING NEWSLETTER

ST. COLMCILLE'S  
PARENTS' ASSOCIATION



The Parents' Association are hosting a talk on Wednesday 26th April, "Language Development". Ms Davnett Ní Bhroin from the Junior School will be our speaker. The talk will be held in the Iona Centre at 9.15a.m. This talk would be particularly beneficial to Junior and Senior Infant Parents.

The 2017 Confirmation ceremonies took place in February. Following the ceremony everyone went over to the Senior School where the Parents' Association and school hosted the Confirmation reception for all of the newly confirmed girls and boys and their families. We had many very much appreciated volunteers, plus the committee members, arranging the receptions over the two days. There was a lot of work involved in setting up the room, preparing Tea, coffee, scones and treats for everyone who came along and this couldn't have been done without great volunteers! We would like to thank all of you who gave so generously of your time and worked so hard over the two days to prepare for this special occasion.



The much anticipated 2017 Communions are taking place over 3 weekends in May. Over 150 second class pupils will celebrate their First Holy Communion and the seven masses in the Church will each be followed by a reception in the school. If you have a child in the school and are willing to help out over one or more of the weekends we are waiting to hear from you! Volunteers are needed for each date. There is a lot involved in making this a success, including setting up the room on the Saturday evening, and making

hundreds of sandwiches, tea, coffees and treats on each of the three Sundays. It's a busy few days but it will be well worth it to see the smiling faces of the second class boys and girls on their big days.

**To volunteer please email us on:** [stcolmcillespa@gmail.com](mailto:stcolmcillespa@gmail.com) or sign up to our volunteer database located on our website [www.stcolmcillespa.com](http://www.stcolmcillespa.com)

After much hard work from the school, the parents and Councillor Deirdre O'Donovan it has been agreed to improve the black path that runs from Coolamber Park to the school. This path is very hard to navigate and becomes flooded in bad weather, posing a safety hazard. Councillor Deirdre O'Donovan has secured €20,000 in funding to carry out these much needed works. This will benefit many of the that route to school each morning. It is hoped that this work will start within the next few months.

