National Parents Council Primary -Newsletter 2022





National Parents Council, wishes all the parents of Ireland a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We also want to extend our best wishes to your children. May this Christmas be filled with magic and wonder and may your children get to experience the joy and excitement of the season.

We look forward to ushering in a new year full of new possibilities, opportunities, and programmes for parents in 2023, but until then wishing you and your loved ones health and happiness this Christmas time.

What's coming?

National Parents Council will be continuing to offer its support to our member Parent Associations with inschool and online sessions.



NPC also offers a range of training and interactive sessions for all parents throughout the year. Below are the sessions that are offered throughout the year (will be announced on our social media and mail) for both primary and early years' parents.

Primary School:

- Transition from primary to post-primary
- Supporting your child to build healthy friendships and relationships
- Internet Safety Training
- Supporting parents to support their child's mental health
- · Anti-bullying training for parents

Early Years:

- Support for parents of children transitioning from preschool to primary
- Supporting your child's mental health and well-being.

To know more about it click here!

Fred O' Connell Award

The NPC Innovation Award recognises innovative partnership work between schools and parents which supports children to have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

2022 Winners

Beaumont Boys and Girls National Schools, Cork City

The Winners of the Award 2022 were the Parents' Associations of both Beaumont Boys and Girls National Schools, Cork City with their winning project 'Establishing a Travel Safe Committee, with the purpose of providing Safer, Healthier, and Greener routes to the school'.



St. John the Baptist Boys National School, Cashel, Co. Tipperary

In second place was the Parents' Association of St. John the Baptist Boys National School, Cashel, Co. Tipperary, with their project 'Ensuring that school life continued to be vibrant and enjoyable for all the school community'



Scoil Mhuire, Moynalvey, Co. Meath

In third place was the Parents' Association of Scoil Mhuire, Moynalvey, Co. Meath with their project 'A combination of initiatives to improve health and wellbeing, enhancing the school environment for children, teachers, and parents'

To know more about the NPC Innovation Awards, click here

Ideas for Fun Winter Activities for Children during the Break

We get that the winter break provides a lot of time on your children's hands and it would be great if they have some fun creating something that they can enjoy. Keeping this in mind, we have tried to put together a few ideas for fun activities that your children can do over the winter break!

You will find more such ideas on our website, the link to which is also provided below. You can also look for STEM-based activities on the internet that can be easily done using simple items that are available at home.



Early Years: Make your own Paper Plate Santa

To view more of the ideas for fun activities for the winter break for early years children, please click here



Primary School: Make your own paper plate Christmas hat

To view more of the ideas for fun activities for the winter break for primary school children, please click here

Opening Times

Helpline:

Open until the **21st of Dec, 2022.**Opening again on the **4th of Jan, 2023.**

Monday - Friday, 10am - 4pm Email : <u>helpline@npc.ie</u> Tel: +353 1 887 4477

Office:

Open until **23rd of Dec, 2022.**Opening again on the **4th of Jan, 2023**

Monday - Friday, 10am - 5pm Email : <u>info@npc.ie</u> Tel: 01 887 4034

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