

10 Do you have any suggestions for events that you would like to see being held in the future that are not currently catered for?

Respondent Suggestion	Parents Association Response	Response from School
PJ day	We can put this on our wish list and/or discuss with School principal	We did have a PJ day last year during literacy week, but it was agreed that two non-uniform days in one week proved very disruptive to the weeks learning objectives as children are understandably giddy. It was fun though and it is a day we may consider early next school year in line with when we introduce Bedtime Reading for infants rather than during literacy week.
An event for parents only to get to know each other	Our table quiz, coffee mornings & AGM aim to cover this, Always happy to take any further suggestions.	
Crazy Hair day event? €2 each child	We can put this on our wish list and/or discuss with School principal	We would have no problem with this being added to a list of possible fundraising events.
Pancake Tuesday - this would be a nice fundraising event, when pancakes (baked by parents) would be sold at school - similarly as bake sale, but pancakes only :)	This event is currently managed by the School on pancake Tuesday	We currently do a quick pancake tasting for all classes. Although we would have no objection to a pancake sale, all fundraising events are looked on as a whole and if it falls in close proximity to the valentine's disco & shamrock sale, we, like the PA, would feel a choice would need to be made between them to limit the pressure put on parents to support numerous events.
Put an all year round book case in the foyer. People donate their unwanted books for free. Buy books for 2 euro each or 3 for a fiver. Hand the money into Karen. Expect people to be honest. Karen keeps the money separate for the pa. Trial it for a few months and see how much is collected.	This event is currently managed by the School as part of the national book day Thursday 2 nd March. We need to be mindful of creating extra work for an already overworked Karen!	I would agree with being mindful of Karen's workload and interruptions. However we'd like the idea of providing a space for simply 'swapping' books.
Easter Camp	This event is currently managed by the School / not by the PA. Big undertaking for a PA committee	Camps are run privately. They are run separate to the school and require their own insurance and supplies. Two teachers this year are running an Easter camp.
More things the children would enjoy. Bingo night was fun but took too long before the children could have fun and enjoy.	We try to cover a wide range of activities that are mainly based around the children to have fun e.g. Family fun day, disco, sponsored walk. Idea of Bingo night was so that the whole family could join in. Always happy to take any further suggestions.	
Maybe a cinema afternoon/evening? otherwise keep up the great work!!	Logistically this is a difficult one for a PA to do. I.e. busses, insurance, volunteers	

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Movie night	We assume at the school. We can put this on our wish list and/or discuss with School principal.	The school would be open to providing classrooms for this option. The interactive whiteboards provide great screens for movies!
1 June, International Children Day	This is something the School would manage if on the agenda.	I will put this forward as an option for our celebrations calendar and see what we come up with!
Visiting museums, landmark trips, charity walks/events (like Bull Head Beach cleaning, animal shelter support etc.)	Can pass these suggestion to the School for possible school tours as logistically would be difficult for a PA committee to do as per cinema visit	We are currently developing our curriculum policies and including a section on annual educational tours/outings/visitors for each year group. So I'll add these ideas to our list.
Maybe World food day, different food from around the World	Currently a school organised event as part of intercultural day and Seachtain na Gaeilge March 16th	We love intercultural day! However due to the number of celebrations and focus days/weeks in a year and the pressure to cover the rest of the curriculum we need to plan these events over a two year period. Intercultural day won't be happening this year but it will be back next year!
Wicklow drive and walk	Can pass these suggestion to the School for possible school tours as logistically would be difficult for a PA committee to do as per cinema visit	As mentioned earlier, we are currently compiling a list to ensure a broad range of experiences for each child over their 8yrs of primary school other than their annual school tour. We will be mindful of the cost of these tours however as we do not want to ask too much of parents and the government funding doesn't spread much further than heating and electricity. We will add all these suggestions to our list though!
I think more trips are welcome, visit farms, museums, astrology centre, botanic garden or other. I would also like to thank the school and teachers for great after school activities like yoga, arts and crafts, children love them.	Can pass these suggestion to the School for possible school tours as logistically would be difficult for a PA committee to do as per cinema visit Make sure to tell Orla and teachers as this activity is not something the PA look after.	Yes, the teachers that run these camps do so voluntarily and deserve a lot of gratitude! We've a staff of passionate & dedicated individuals!!

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Is copper coin collection coming back?	Yes due to start again in March/ April
looking forward to seeing how the kids enjoy the valentines disco. great way for them to socialise, have fun and move around. more of these little events might be good and help the fundraising efforts	Thank you - think all had a great time
Fabulous work by all involved!!!!	Thank you- much appreciated
No. Thank you for a great work.	Thank you- much appreciated
These times don't work for our family so would like to see some events happening on Saturdays.	Family day currently is on Saturdays, it is difficult to get helpers and parents to commit to non-school days due to own family commitments