

The Parents Association, the Executive Committee and the AGM

1. What is the Parents Association?

The Parents Association promotes the interests of the students in a school. It works in partnership with the Principal, Board of Management and the whole school community to build effective co-operation between home and school for the betterment of students in the school.

According to the Education Act, the Parents Association tasks are as follows:

- To advise the Principal or the Board on matters relating to the school; and
- To adopt a programme of activities which will promote the involvement of parents in the operation of the school, in consultation with the Principal.

All parents who have children in the school are members of the Parents Association and they elect the Executive Committee whose members work on their behalf.

2. The Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The purpose of the Annual General Meeting is to inform parents of the work and activities undertaken by the Parents Association over the past year, to account for the monies spent and received and to nominate the Executive Committee members.

All parents are invited to take part at the AGM and to elect the new Executive Committee.

3. Where and when does the AGM take place this year?

The AGM takes place at HETSS from 7pm to 10pm on October 5th

4. The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is elected through nominations from the parents present at the AGM.

The Officer roles of the Committee are:

- ⑩ The Chairperson
- ⑩ The Secretary
- ⑩ The Treasurer
- ⑩ The PR officer
- ⑩ Members

5. Commitment

The Executive Committee serves for one year (from one AGM to the next) and meets once a month - usually on the first Thursday of the month from 7pm to 9pm.

6. Why get involved?

We all want our children's school to be the very best it can be. The best way to contribute is by joining the PA and getting involved in the life of the school. It's not just our children and school that benefit. You might just find you end up involved in a lot of fun too!