The role of the Parents’ Association is to support non-curricula activities which adds to the overall school ethos. These include hosting tea/coffee receptions at key school events e.g. Junior Infants' first day at school, reception following the First Holy Communion ceremony.

All parents are welcome to join the Parents’ Association or provide support to any of the activities that are listed below. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in joining the Parent’s Association or volunteering please email **PA@Belgrovejbs.ie**

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| **Commitment** | **Description** | **Date** | **Time** | **Action on behalf of PA** |
| **First Day for Junior Infants** | A tea/coffee reception is offered to parents after they drop their boys into the class. | 1st September 2022 | 9am | Provide tea/coffee to Junior Infant parents. |
| **Junior Infants Family Afternoon** | Each of the junior infant classes meets (pupils and families) in the school hall/yard for an hour.  It’s a social meet and greet event organised and supported by the PA.  The teachers are not present. | 10th September 2022 | 2-5pm | Provide tea/coffee for adults and refreshments for children.  Activities for children. |
| **Christmas Play (Junior Infants and First Class)** | The school play, coordinated by the teachers, is filmed and produced into an online recording that is sold on the day of the Play. | 15th December 2022 | Junior Infants 11am  1st Class 12pm | Organise filming and availability of recording and collection of payment for the recording. |
| **Christmas Carol Service (Senior Infants and Second Class)** | Takes place in St Gabriel’s Church. All the boys attend this. | 20th December 2022 | 12:00pm | FYI for date |
| **Christmas Cards** | The PA manage this fundraising activity and liaise with the Christmas Cards for Schools company and the teachers to produce personalised Christmas cards with artwork by each boy that are available for purchase by their parents in the run up to Christmas. | Sept-Dec 2022 |  |  |
| **Table Quiz** | The table quiz is the annual fundraiser for the school.  **It is coordinated by an independent group of parents including a representative from the Parent’s Association.**  Funds are raised through the sale of tables, raffle tickets, sponsorship and an auction.  The quiz organising committee are constantly looking for sponsors so if you think you can support this please contact Fiona Sheridan. | Friday 27th January 2023 |  | PA members support this event as required eg providing assistance on the evening selling raffle tickets and collecting quiz answer sheets. |
| **Parents Information Evening -**  **“Fostering a love of literacy in the home” webinar, speaker Clara Maria Fiorentini** | A guest speaker is invited to present on a topic of common interest.  Suggestions are offered and speakers are approached and engaged based on availability and cost .  In recent years this has been a joint event with Belgove Infant Girls’ School | 1st March 2023 | 8:00pm | Liaise and organise with BIGS, and introduce guest speaker. |
| **Arts Day** | Parents assist the teachers with the Days Activities, face painting, general support and help with clean up. | **Thurs 1st June** | All Day |  |
| **Junior Infant Day: Meet the Teacher & Parent Info Meeting** | A tea/coffee reception is offered to parents while their boys are meeting their teacher. A talk is given and information is passed on by the Principal to these parents of the incoming junior infants during the reception. | **Mon 12th and Tue 13th June** | TBC | Provide tea/coffee for Junior Infant Parent’s.  Uniforms – O’Farrells on site to take uniform orders.  Separately a 2nd Hand Uniform sale is organised - all proceeds go to Mighty Matthew Charity. |
| **2nd Class Graduation Ceremony** | A tea/coffee function is offered to the boys and their families following the graduation ceremony. | **Tue 27th June** | 11am | Provide tea/coffee for adults and refreshments for children. |
| **2nd Class Graduation** | A small token is purchased for the boys graduating from second class such as a thumbprint tree print etc. | **June 2023** |  | Provide gift for all graduating 2nd Class boys. |
| **Website** | The school website is updated by a PA volunteer to keep parents up to date on all school activities. | Ongoing |  | Update contact list.  Add PA activity list.  Upload Activity photos.  Contribute to school newsletter. |