St. Patrick's Junior School Gift Policy

This policy was drawn up in response to the deteriorating economic climate. A practice was evolving of multiple gifts being given e.g. to the class teacher, SNA, secretary, caretaker and/or principal.

In keeping with the ethos of this school, we decided to ask parents not to give presents to the staff (teachers, SNAs, secretary, caretaker) at the end of any school term.

As there is joy in giving as much as in receiving agreement was reached with the Parents' Association that donations to a charity of their choosing could be an alternative giving experience for the children.

We also suggested that cards made for teacher and illustrated and signed by children are always acceptable and indeed a treat in themselves.

This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis.

This policy was agreed at a staff meeting in December 2008.

It was reviewed by all staff in April 2012.

It was agreed with the Parents' Association in December 2008 and again in April 2012.

It was reviewed and ratified again by the Board of Management in April 2012.

Chairperson,	Date	•
Board of Management.		