

“What about parents?”

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National Parents Council post primary (NPCpp)

- volunteers
- 370,000 secondary school students
- 740 schools approx nationally
- 95 Community and Comprehensive Schools

Vision

NPCpp aims to provide a forum that actively supports parents and guardians in their parenting role and to interact effectively with schools and other education partners on issues that impact on the education, development and general well-being of young people within the post-primary education system

Actions

- improving communications
- school P.A. development
- promoting NPCpp
- supporting parents
- representations to Dept.of Ed.
- influencing policy

Budget '08

- school bus transport costs and payments
- school book grant scheme
- ICT development
- education programme grants; LCVP, JCSP, Home Economics, etc

Where to from here ?

- wait for economic upturn
- maximise resources from within constituent bodies and NPCpp
- innovative approach
- challenge to us parents
- support for NPCpp initiatives

Post Primary Education Forum

- National parents initiative
- end of 2007
- forum
- partners in education
- county based structure

Future role of NPCpp

- commitment to common aims
- NESCS 2005 “..skills and capabilities are the most important assets in the advanced modern economy.”
- Question to all in Education;
 - “WHAT ABOUT PARENTS?”

Thank you