

Report from Board of Management Meeting

11th October 2023

1. Admissions Notice and dates for Admissions for 2024 approved by the Board.
2. Application for funding from the Department for a General Purpose Room on our school site welcomed by the Board.
3. Census Returns of pupil numbers on 30/9/23 presented to the Board. 176 pupils on roll on 30/9/23. Board are concerned about decline in pupil numbers in our school. Board agreed to appeal to the Department to try to retain Principal & 8 teachers. Also to query whether we should be entitled to more SET support.
4. Staff Seniority approved by the Board.
5. Board thanked the outgoing Parents Association Committee for all of their hard work and support of the school and welcomed the support of the new committee.
6. Parent nominees to the new Board of Management will be Alan Dalton and Clodagh Ritchie.
7. Board welcomed the fact that school secretaries are now being paid by the Department of Education.
8. Board praised & thanked the school staff involved in running the Summer Programme in July 2023, “Building Confidence and Connections”.
9. The Board approved a proposal that school shorts could be added to our school uniform and it was agreed that

costs should be kept down for parents. Board to engage with Parents Association on the idea.

10. Application for Unpaid Maternity leave approved. Same substitute teacher will remain in place until March 2023.
11. 1 Application for Admission returned at this time as application was incomplete.
12. Treasurer's Report presented to the Board. All accounts are ready for accountants to prepare End of Year accounts.
13. Principal's Report presented to the Board.
14. Child Protection: Annual review of Child Safe Guarding Statement and Risk assessment took place.
15. Child Protection Oversight Report presented the Board.
16. No investigations of bullying investigated or to be presented to the Board.
17. Grainne Reid has been elected as staff nominee to the new Board of Management.
18. Seamus Roe to confirm Patron's nominees to the new Board of Management.
19. Thanks were given to Lisa Calvey and Bernie Conway who have been the Community nominees on the Board 2019/23.
20. New Board of Management to take up its role from 1/12/23. 6 nominees to meet in early November to appoint community nominees.