

## **Board of Management Meeting**

**19/10/21**

### **Agreed Report**

The board are pleased with the ongoing success of our COVID-19 Response Plan. They wished to praise the diligence and vigilance of all staff members and the entire school community and thank them for their consistent adherence to the procedures and protocols contained in our plan. We have had one class closure this year and we will work hard to try to avoid any further closures.

During our meeting Fr. Derek Ryan and former Deputy Principal Paul McGee were proposed and seconded to membership of the Board. They will replace Fr. Cormac and retiring community representative Paddy Larkin.

The board wish to express their sincere thanks to Paddy for his incredible service to St. Joseph's as a board member for many, many years.

The board would like to wish Mrs. Lawlor all the best in her retirement and thank her for her incredible contribution to St. Joseph's N.S. Mrs. Lawlor will be missed by all staff, students and the entire school community.

The board wished to congratulate Mr. McEntee on his appointment to the role of Deputy Principal and commend him on his excellent start in this role.

The board wished to congratulate Ms. Thomas on her appointment to the role of HSCL. She will replace Mrs. Lawlor who has done fantastic work in this role in recent years.

The board wished to thank Ms. Donnelly for taking on the role of acting AP1 and wish her well.

The board wished to congratulate Mrs. Nelson and Ms. Manning on their appointment to the role of AP2 on a permanent basis.

The board also wish to congratulate Ms. Kennedy and Mr. Toner on their appointment to the role of acting AP2.

**The board would like to wish Ms. McEntegart well in her job-share post in another school.**

The board were pleased to hear about the successful repair works carried out on the school yard.

The board reviewed and approved the following school policies during our meeting.

1. Anti-Bullying Policy
2. Critical Incident Policy
3. Anti-Cyber Bullying Policy

There are a several people to thank and congratulate for their various achievements and contributions to school life in St. Joseph's in recent weeks.

- Well done to Fr. Derek and all the school staff involved in the recent Confirmation and Communion ceremonies. They were beautifully celebrated.
- Well done to all staff members involved in the successful Summer Camp programme in our school. They were a great success.
- Tesco Dundalk kindly contributed €330 for our school community. Thank You.
- Well done to Ms. Caulfield who organised a successful wellness week in our school.
- Well done to Mr. Keenan for organising a huge number of interesting and exciting events for Maths week.
- Well done and a huge thanks to all those staff members operating before and after school clubs.
- Well done to Mrs. Lawlor who organised a 'zoom afternoon tea' for our infant parents. .
- Well done to Mr. O'Connor for his tireless work in rolling out the 'every child a reader' across our school. The board were delighted to hear about the project and wished all staff involved well for the upcoming launch.

Sr. Joan and all board members wished to express their most sincere thank you to Ms. Roz and every staff member in our school for their incredible work over recent weeks and months. There are many challenges currently facing staff, students and our entire school community and the board wished to acknowledge the tremendous work (both seen and unseen) taking place every day in our school.