



**Our Lady's Secondary School**  
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## **Board of Management Meeting February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Opening Prayer:** G. Carville

**Attendance:** G. Carville (Chairperson) S. Mc Ginnity (Trustee Nominee), A. Campbell (Trustee Nominee), B. Campbell (Parent Nominee), J. Bishop (Parent Nominee), D. Mooney (Teacher Nominee), J. Sheridan (Teacher Nominee), E. Kelly (Sec B.O.M).

**Apologies:** S. Egan (Trustee Nominee)

### **Minutes**

Proposed: A. Campbell

Seconded: J. Sheridan

### **Matters Arising**

Addressed in the Principal's Report

### **Correspondence**

- Applications from staff for personal days-granted
- Application for career break 2023- 2024-granted
- Application for secondment 2023-2024-granted
- Applications for job sharing 2023-2024-granted
- Application for the use of school facilities:
  - Blackhill GFC- use of astro turf facilities-granted
- Circular 0001/2023: Advice on the use of assessment instruments/tests for Guidance or for additional and special educational needs (SEN) in post-primary schools.
- Circular 0002/ 2023: Staffing arrangements in voluntary secondary schools for the 2023-2024 year
- Circular 0005/ 2023: Teacher Refund Scheme-CPD
- Circular 0079/ 2022: Bereavement Leave for special needs assistants in recognised primary & post primary schools.
- Circular 0078/ 2022: Bereavement Leave for teachers in recognised primary & post primary schools.
- Circular 0077/ 2022: Once-off cost of living measure to support increased school running costs
- Circular 0075/ 2022: Commencement of the Education ( Provision in respect of Children with SEN) Act 2022 and Commencement of the remaining sections of the Education Act 2018

- Correspondence from the Department of Family & Social Protection on our school meals inspection from September 2022 stating we were compliant and operating the scheme in accordance with the Department's terms and conditions.
- Correspondence from CEIST Coordinator Sharon Mc Grath acknowledging receipt of our minutes of December and the Finance Report for November.

### **Finance**

- Jacqueline Mc Quillan from Moore Ireland Accountant's presented the 2021-2022 accounts to the Board of Management
- Members of the Board of Management thanked the school Accounts Clerk Lorraine Mc Kenna Duffy for her hard work and efficiency in this area.
- Finance Report to date for 2022- 2023 to be presented at the next meeting.

### **Events to Date:**

#### **Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- Senior Girls GAA training
- Junior Choir at lunchtime
- Senior Choir at lunchtime
- First Year Boys GAA at lunchtime
- Junior German Club at lunchtime
- U/17 Boys Soccer
- U/16 Girls GAA Ulster A semi final
- Evening Study 4.10pm – 6.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm

#### **Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- Saturday Study for Sixth Year students 9.00am – 1.00pm

#### **Monday December 5<sup>th</sup>**

- U/15 Boys GAA S & C
- Student Support Meeting in Iontas at 2.00pm
- First Year Boys GAA training 4.00pm
- Senior Girls GAA training 4.00pm
- U/15 Girls Soccer training 1.15pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

#### **Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup>**

- Senior Boys GAA
- TY Christmas Fair TY Christmas Fair & Wear Something Festive Day (donations to Mary's Meals)
- First Year Boys GAA training at lunchtime
- Pre Leaving Certificate French Oral Exam
- Pre Leaving Certificate German Oral Exam
- U/14 Boys GAA training 4,00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup>**

- Senior Girls GAA
- Pre Leaving Certificate French Oral Exam
- Pre Leaving Certificate Construction Studies Practical Exam
- U/15 Boys Soccer training 1.15pm
- Evening Study 2.00pm – 4.00pm

### **Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup>**

- U/15 Boys GAA S & C
- U/14 Corn na nOg semi final
- First Year Boys GAA training at lunchtime
- Art Club in Room 24 12.16pm
- Eco Club Meeting 12.30pm Room 45
- Junior Choir at lunchtime
- Christmas Reflections
- Year Head Meeting in Iontas 2.00pm
- U/15 Boys GAA training 4.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm – 6.00pm
- Second Year Parent Teacher Meeting 4.15pm – 6.45pm

### **Friday December 9<sup>th</sup>**

- School holiday

### **Saturday December 10<sup>th</sup>**

- Saturday Study for Sixth Year students 9.00am – 1.00pm

### **Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>**

- Staff JCT Day

### **Tuesday December 13<sup>th</sup>**

- Senior Girls GAA training
- Pre Leaving Certificate Irish Oral Exam
- First Year Soccer
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- TY Movie Day for First Year students
- U/17 Boys Soccer training
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup>**

- Pre Leaving Certificate Irish Oral Exam
- Pre Leaving Certificate Art practical exam
- U/15 Boys GAA
- Senior Boys GAA
- Evening Study 2.00pm – 4.00pm

### **Thursday December 15<sup>th</sup>**

- U/15 Boys GAA S & C
- U/16 Girls GAA Ulster final
- LC Music practical exam
- Art Club in Room 24 12.16pm
- Eco Club Meeting 12.30pm Room 45
- Year Head Meeting in Iontas 2.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm – 6.00pm

**Friday December 16<sup>th</sup>**

- TY Christmas Exams
- LC Music practical exam
- Junior & Senior Choir at lunchtime
- Senior Girls GAA training
- Senior Boys GAA training
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm – 6.00pm

**Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup>**

- Saturday Study for Sixth Year students 9.00am – 1.00pm

**Monday December 19<sup>th</sup>**

- Fourth Year Christmas Exams
- Fifth Year Christmas Exams
- Senior Boys GAA training
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

**Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup>**

- TY Think Languages Event
- Fifth Year Christmas Exams
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

**Wednesday December 21<sup>st</sup>**

- Senior Boys GAA training
- Fifth Year Christmas Exams
- Staff Lunch in the Old Coach Inn 1.30pm

**Thursday January 5<sup>th</sup>**

- Fifth Year Assembly P2
- Third Year Assembly P5
- Sixth Year Assembly P6
- Year Head meeting 2.00pm
- U/14 Boys Basketball training 4.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

**Friday January 6<sup>th</sup>**

- First Year Assembly P2
- Fourth Year Assembly P4
- U/14 Boys Basketball tournament
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

**Saturday January 7<sup>th</sup>**

- Saturday Study 9.00am – 1.00pm
- Senior Boys GAA Mac Rory playoff 2.00pm

### **Monday January 9<sup>th</sup>**

- Second Year Assembly P2
- Student Support Meeting 2.00pm
- U/15 Boys Basketball training 4.00pm
- U/19 Girls GAA Ulster semi final
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Tuesday January 10<sup>th</sup>**

- TY RSA Talk
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm
- Staff Meeting 4.10pm – 6.00pm (venue Concert Hall)
  - Staff briefing 4.10pm – 4.20pm
  - School Strategic Planning 4.20pm – 4.30pm
  - Whole School Guidance Planning 4.30pm – 4.50pm
  - Subject Department Planning 4.50pm – 5.45pm

### **Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup>**

- U/14 Boys Basketball tournament
- Senior Art club 1.30pm – 2.30pm
- Evening Study 2.00pm- 4.00pm

### **Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup>**

- Junior Art club at lunchtime
- TY Drumming Workshop
- Year Head meeting 2.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Friday January 13<sup>th</sup>**

- TY Young Scientist
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup>**

- Saturday Study 9.00am – 1.00pm

### **Monday January 16<sup>th</sup>**

- U/15 Boys GAA S & C
- First & Second Year Boys Basketball
- Student Support Meeting 2.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm
- U/16 Girls GAA training
- Senior Girls GAA training

### **Tuesday January 17<sup>th</sup>**

- U/17 Boys Soccer Regional Semi Final
- U/15 Boys GAA training
- TY Active Schools Social Basketball for First Year students at junior lunch
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup>**

- Senior Girls GAA training
- U/19 Boys Soccer training 1.30pm
- U/15 Boys GAA training
- Senior Art club 1.30pm – 2.30pm
- Evening Study 2.00pm- 4.00pm

### **Thursday January 19<sup>th</sup>**

- U/15 Boys GAA Recover session
- Green Schools Water Ambassador Programme Wellbeing Workshop
- U/19 Boys Soccer Ulster quarter final
- Junior Art club at lunchtime
- Year Head meeting 2.00pm
- First Year Boys Soccer training 4.00pm
- Drama Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm
- Fifth Year Parent Teacher meeting 4.15pm – 6.45pm

### **Friday January 20<sup>th</sup>**

- U/15 Boys GAA game
- First & Second Year Boys Basketball
- TY Business Trip
- School Cross Country
- TY Junk Kouture deadline
- Senior Girls GAA training
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup>**

- Saturday Study 9.00am – 1.00pm

### **Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

- Catholic Schools Week
- First & Second Year Girls Basketball
- Staff CPD on ChatGPT and AI
  - Junior Lunch Room 30
  - Senior Lunch Room 06
- Information Evening 7-8pm for parents & guardians of students on the German tour
- Student Support Meeting 2.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Tuesday January 24<sup>th</sup>**

- Catholic Schools Week
- U/15 Girls Soccer
- TY Active Schools Social Basketball for First Year students at junior lunch
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm
- First Year Parent Teacher Meeting 4.15pm – 6.45pm

### **Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup>**

- Catholic Schools Week
- First Year Boys Soccer Cavan / Monaghan Regional Final
- Senior Girls GAA Ulster final
- Senior Art club 1.30pm – 2.30pm
- Evening Study 2.00pm- 4.00pm

### **Thursday January 26<sup>th</sup>**

- Catholic Schools Week
- Pre Leaving Certificate Exam
- Green Schools Water Ambassador Programme
- Junior Choir at lunchtime
- Junior Art club at lunchtime
- Year Head meeting 2.00pm
- Drama Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Friday January 27<sup>th</sup>**

- Catholic Schools Week
- Pre Leaving Certificate Exam
- Senior Choir at Lunchtime
- First Year Homework Club 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Evening Study 4.10pm- 6.00pm

### **Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup>**

- Saturday Study 9.00am – 1.00pm

### **Upcoming Events**

- **Monday January 30<sup>th</sup> – Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup>:** Pre Junior Cycle Exams
- **Monday January 30<sup>th</sup>:** TY Personal Safety Workshop
- **Monday January 30<sup>th</sup>:** Information Evening 7-8pm for parents & guardians of students on the French tour
- **Monday January 30<sup>th</sup>:** Parents Association Meeting
- **Tuesday January 31<sup>st</sup>:** Formula Female GoGirls Racing and Engineering event
- **Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup>:** TY trip to the US Embassy
- **Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup>:** Ceiliúradh CEIST day
- **Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup>:** Tug of War Workshop
- **Thursday February 2<sup>nd</sup> - Wednesday February 8<sup>th</sup>:** Pre Leaving Certificate Applied Exams
- **Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Ulster Ladies GAA All Star Awards
- **Thursday February 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Board of Management Meeting
- **Monday February 6<sup>th</sup>:** Bank Holiday
- **Wednesday February 8<sup>th</sup>:** Whole School Guidance Meeting
- **Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup>:** TY Reptile Haven Workshop
- **Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup> - Sunday February 12<sup>th</sup>:** French & German tour
- **Monday February 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday February 17<sup>th</sup>:** Mid Term Break

## Learning & Teaching

- The Second Year Parent Teacher meeting took place on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Second Year parents & guardians were surveyed as part of the school SSE process and the results of the survey were shared with members of the Board of Management.
- The Fifth Year Parent Teacher meeting took place on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Fifth Year parents & guardians were surveyed as part of the school SSE process and the results of the survey were shared with members of the Board of Management.
- The First Year Parent Teacher meeting took place on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Fifth Year parents & guardians were surveyed as part of the school SSE process and the results of the survey were shared with members of the Board of Management.
- The Pre Leaving Certificate and Pre Junior Cycle Oral and Practical Exams were held before the Christmas holidays.
- Assessments for First – Fifth Year students were held during the month of December.
- The reports from the Christmas assessments were made available to parents the week beginning January 10<sup>th</sup>. Senior Management, Year Heads and representatives from student support continue to meet with students on a regular basis
- The Pre Leaving Certificate Exams commenced last week and the Pre Leaving Certificate Applied Exams and Pre Junior Cycle Exams commenced this week.
- Interviews for Leaving Certificate Applied Assessment task commenced the week beginning January 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The Modern Foreign Languages Department held a very successful #ThinkLanguages event on December 20<sup>th</sup>.
- All staff engaged in JCT training on Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The Art Department ran a very successful ‘Design a school Christmas card campaign. The 2022 school Christmas card was designed by Valerija Belugina in 5<sup>th</sup> Year.  
Sophie Moore 6<sup>th</sup> Year, Keisha Mc Cann 6<sup>th</sup> Year & Aoibheann Routledge Third Year received their Credit Union Art Awards at chapter level at a reception in Nuremore hotel on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Keisha Mc Cann’s entry came second at national level and a prize giving ceremony will take place in Dublin on February 12<sup>th</sup>.
- TY Home Economics students Aimee Hughes and Rachel Cassidy came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the TY Young Cook of Monaghan competition on December 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The Principal outlined details of a Business scholarship available to Leaving Certificate students sponsored by Acorn Life.
- The following students in the TY Young Scientist module represented the school in the BT Young Scientist exhibition in January: Annabel Bogue (The True Cost of The Accommodation Crisis in Ireland), Kaitlyn Fitzpatrick (A Statistical Study into the financial sustainability of the agricultural sector in Ireland) and Comac Mc Nally, Finian O’ Neill & Calum Cunningham (Waste Water Fertilizer)



- A number of first & second year students continue to participate in the Green Schools Water Ambassador Programme
- TY Art students are entering the Junk Kouture competition and the deadline was January 20<sup>th</sup>
- The Art Department organised a very successful Art competition for primary school students.
- TY History & Politics & Society students visited the US Embassy. A. Campbell acknowledged the work of P. Mulroe and C. Mc Kevitt in organising this visit.
- A number of Fifth Year students participated in the Formula Female GoGirls Racing & Engineering event.
- The MFL Department held information evenings for the parents & guardians of students travelling on the upcoming French & German tours
- A Junior German Club has been set up that meets on a regular basis. The last meeting seen students make schneeflocken (snowflakes) and Weihnachtskarten (Christmas cards)
- Evening Study takes places from 4pm – 6pm,
- A homework club for First Year students takes place from 4.00pm – 5.00pm. First Year students are supported by our SNA's and TY students.
- Saturday study continues every Saturday for Sixth Year students from 9am – 1pm

The Principal paid tribute to the teachers for their willingness to embrace new initiatives so willingly that has generated so much positive discussion around Teaching & Learning in our school.

### **Extra Curricular**

- The Corn na nOg team qualified for the Ulster semi final.
- The Senior Girls GAA team qualified for the Ulster A final.
- The Senior Boys GAA team were defeated in the play off stages of the Mac Rory Cup.
- The U/16 Girls GAA team qualified for the Ulster A final.
- The U14 Girls GAA team commenced training in preparation for their upcoming fixtures.
- The U15 Boys GAA team commenced training in preparation for their upcoming fixtures.
- The U13 Boys GAA team commenced training in preparation for their competition upcoming fixtures.
- Training continues for 1st and 2nd Year Boys and Girls Basketball teams and U15 Boys Basketball Cup team.
- The U14 Boys competed in the U14 Cup Tournament in Malahide on January 6th.
- The U15 Boys competed in the U15 Cup Tournament in Our Lady's on January 11th securing a spot in the All Ireland A Semi Final on March 29th in the national arena.

- The 1st and 2nd Year Boys Basketball teams started their league campaigns and play St Pats Cavan, St Macartan's Monaghan, St Pat's Navan and Dunshaughlin CC in their group.
- The 1st and 2nd Year Girls Basketball teams started their league campaigns and play Virginia College Cavan, Loreto Cavan and St. Louis Monaghan in their group.
- The First Year Boys soccer team finished 2nd in their group and qualified for the Regional Final. They are playing St. Pat's, Cavan on Wednesday, January 25th in a rematch of their group game. They have also qualified for the Semi Finals of the Ulster Cup.
- The U15's Boys soccer team reached the semi final stage of their regional competition, having topped their group. They are currently waiting on the other group to finish to determine their opponent.
- The U17 Boys soccer team qualified for the Regional Final with a recent 4-0 win over Breifne College. They are due to play Patrician HS in the final. They have also qualified for the Ulster QF's, to be played after mid term break.
- The U19 Boys soccer team secured their place in the Regional Final with a win over St Macartan's. They are due to play St. Aidan's, Cootehill in the Regional Final, in a rematch of their group game. The U19's were knocked out of the Ulster Cup at the QF stage having met an extremely strong Carndonagh team, who had topped the Donegal league.
- The First Year Girls soccer team started training this week. Mr Duffy and Ms O'Doherty will coach the girls who have three group games scheduled against St. Louis, St. Aidan's, Cootehill and Colaiste Oiriall.
- The U15 Girls soccer team have topped their group, recording an impressive win over Inver College and qualifying for the Ulster Quarter Finals. The girls have been drawn away to Crana College, Buncrana after mid term break. The girls have an upcoming friendly scheduled against Royal School, Cavan to help them prepare.
- The U17 Girls soccer team have finished their competitive football, having played St Louis and St Aidan. The girls put in a fantastic performance in their second group game, with all 27 members of a young panel playing a minimum of 30 minutes.
- The U19 Girls soccer team had fixtures rescheduled before Christmas due to weather and competition deadlines. A blitz will be organised after mid term break.
- Students in our school participated in the school's cross country competition on January 20<sup>th</sup>. Malachy Treanor finished first and Maeve Smith finished third.
- The TY Active Schools Module organised social basketball for Second Year girls in January.
- Fifty Five Second Year students completed a 'Walking in Schools' initiative in association with Ulster University.
- Paul Smyth from FAI Ireland delivered a soccer session to all JCSP students on December 5<sup>th</sup>.
- The school ECO club meets on a weekly basis. A number of students participated in the Green Schools Water Ambassador Programme Wellbeing Workshop on January 19<sup>th</sup>.
- A Junior Art Club has been set up that meets on a weekly basis.

- A Junior German Club has been set up that meets on a regular basis. The last meeting seen students make schneeflocken (snowflakes) and Weihnachtskarten (Christmas cards)
- The Junior Choir meets every Thursday at lunchtime.
- The Senior Choir meets every Friday at lunchtime
- The Drama Club meet every Thursday after school from 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Transition Year students have been busy since their return to school.
  - TY Innovating Communities Workshop
  - TY Movie Day
  - TY Christmas Fair
  - TY Young Scientist
  - TY RSA Event
  - TY Drumming Workshop
  - TY Active Schools Basketball
  - TY Junk Kouture
  - TY trip to the US Embassy
  - TY Personal Safety Workshop

The Principal thanked the staff for their extraordinary generosity of time & spirit in giving students opportunities to develop their skills, talents and interests outside the classroom

### **Student Voice**

- Sixth Year Student Leaders are assisting with supervision on corridors before school.
- Sixth Year Student Leaders sent a school Christmas card to all incoming First Year students.
- A number of students from different year groups participated in a focus group with Student Voice Coordinator Ms. Murray.
- The Student Council meets on a regular basis.
- Members of the Student Council assisted with serving refreshments for recent parent teacher meetings.

The Principal & members of the Board of Management thanked everyone involved in the promotion of Student Voice at Our Lady's.

### **Student Support & Discipline**

#### **Student Support**

- Student Support Meetings are held every Monday P6
- The External Counsellor continues to support students on a weekly basis.
- The school meals programme continues to provide support to a number of families on a weekly basis.
- The TY Christmas Fair and festive jumper day raised €500 for Mary's Meals & €500 for St. Vincent de Paul.
- The school donated €250 to Castleblayney Cancer in lieu of postage for digital school Christmas cards.
- Senior Management and Year Heads are currently meeting students on an individual basis to review their Christmas assessments.

- Assemblies were held for all year groups on their return to school.
- First, Second and Third Year students had internet safety workshops from REIM Solutions on January 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

## **Discipline**

- Council of Discipline meetings take place every Thursday P6.

The Principal & members of the Board of Management thanked everyone involved in the Council of Discipline and Student Support Team for the hard work, care and support shown to students across so many different levels.

## **Faith Life of the School**

- Weekly prayers are said over the school intercom.
- The Christmas Reflections took place on Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup>.
- A number of activities were held to celebrate Catholic Schools Week the week beginning January 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- A number of activities were held to celebrate Ceiliúradh CEIST day on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Principal & members of the Board of Management thanked Ms. Duffy, members of the Religion Department and everyone involved in the promotion of the faith life of our school.

## **Plant Development & Maintenance**

- D. Mooney updated the Board of Management on developments relating to the new extension.
- D. Mooney updated the Board of Management on developments relating to the upgrade of equipment in specialist classrooms and acknowledged the hard work of D. Bishop in the grant application and tendering process.
- E. Kelly updated the Board of Management on a proposed application to the DES for additional accommodation for specialist classrooms for the students in our mild & moderate general disability classes.
- E. Kelly updated the Board of Management in relation to the upgrading of heating systems in the school under the Summer Works Scheme.
- Appendix V to be submitted to CEIST for the following:
  - Replacement ovens in the Home Economics rooms
  - Replacement lighting on the astro turf pitch

## **IT**

- None

### **Policy Review:**

- The Principal presented the School Strategic Plan 2022- 2026 to members of the Board of Management.
- The Principal presented the School Self Evaluation & School Improvement Plan 2022- 2023 to the Board of Management

The Principal acknowledged the hard work and efficiency of P. Mulroe in this area.

- Policies due for review: Teacher Secondment Policy, Fire Safety Policy, Administration of Medication Policy, Child Safeguarding Statement, Code of Behaviour, School Tour Policy, Policy for External Speakers

### **Health & Safety**

- None

### **Child Protection Issues**

- The Principal informed the Board of Management of communication and / or referrals to TUSLA since the last Board of Management meeting. The Board was satisfied that the relevant reporting procedures were followed.

### **A.O.B.**

- The Principal updated the Board of Management on developments relating to the enrolment of Sixth class students for September 2023.
- A meeting of the Parents Association took place on January 30<sup>th</sup>.
- A staff meeting was held on January 10<sup>th</sup> that focused on the following areas of school life:
  - SSE
  - Strategic Planning
  - Subject Planning
- The Board of Management proposed that a committee be set up to review the use of school facilities by external agencies.
- J. Bishop commented on the success of the recent First Year Parent Teacher meeting.
- The Chairperson of the Board of Management thanked the Principal for a comprehensive report and thanked the Senior Management Team and all staff for their continued hard work & commitment to the school.

### **Next Meeting**

- March 28<sup>th</sup>

**Agreed Report Parents:** To go on the website and link sent to parents on the school app.

**Agreed Report Staff:** J. Sheridan

