



Scoil Ghráinne Community National
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Board of Management Agreed Report

Venue: Scoil Ghráinne CNS
Date of meeting: 28.11.24

ITEM	DETAILS
Meeting minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted and the agenda for the meeting was accepted. 7 members were present.
Correspondence	<i>Ms Price officially welcomed as Teacher Nominee.</i>
Child protection	The Child Protection Oversight report and anti-bullying oversight reports were presented. The Board was satisfied that the Child Safeguarding procedures were followed.
Teaching and Learning	<p>Ms Scott and Ms Egan made a presentation to the Board on the School Self-Evaluation (SSE) Summary Report - New Maths Curriculum. The evaluation included a detailed collection of data from all classes and staff, along with a SCOT analysis. The findings provided valuable insights that will guide our teaching approaches moving forward.</p> <p>Agreed SSE actions for the coming year include: incorporating 'maths talk' into daily lessons, introducing maths journals, and enhancing the use of concrete materials during lessons. Teachers have been provided with sample plans as a reference point for their own maths planning.</p>
Policy Development	<p>The new School Uniform Policy was reviewed and ratified by the BOM.</p> <p>Following a comprehensive consultation process, our new uniform policy offers pupils the option to wear either the school tracksuit or the formal uniform every day.</p> <p>It is hoped this change will make life a little easier for parents/guardians and pupils while better aligning with the modern, active teaching approaches adopted in Scoil Ghráinne CNS.</p>
Highlights from Principal's Report	<p>AP2 Position</p> <p>Regarding the ongoing recruitment for the new ISM position:</p>

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The selection process was professional and well-received by staff, supporting morale.

Mrs Lynch was the successful candidate and has accepted the position of AP2 Post Holder (Post 10: Junior Infant Induction and GMGY).

Foreign Languages

The Foreign Language Programme for 3rd Class is currently taking place every Wednesday. Students are being introduced to French, German, and Spanish. There has been positive feedback so far, and the Board would like to thank Mr Garvey for leading this project.

Primary Language Curriculum (PLC) Sustained Support

The following CPD will take place next term in relation to the PLC:
Preparation for Teaching and Learning (PLC): Thursday, 23rd January, 12:45–3:30 pm (half-day closure at 12 pm for staff training).
Critical Literacy: Wednesday, 5th February (one representative from each year band).

Language and Cultural Awareness: Wednesday, 5th March, 9:00–11:30 am (Diversity/GMGY Committee).

Digital Literacy: Wednesday, 5th March, 12:00–2:30 pm (Digital Strategy Team).

Thank you to Mrs Donegan for aligning these sessions with our school's priorities.

Croí Classes Painting Project and New Sensory Room

Along with the installation of our new Sensory Room, we are also repainting our Croí classes. Thanks to the Croí Team, who put a lot of thought into the design of our new sensory room and the colour scheme, which is very appropriately aligned with the sensory needs of our Croí pupils.



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ICT

The new teacher iPads are up and running after being purchased and installed with Apple Classroom. This will allow teachers to have control of class sets of iPads so lessons can be directed more efficiently.

Student Council Dáil Visit

Jack Chambers, Minister for Finance, hosted our Student Council in Dáil Éireann for a tour in November. The students represented our school really well. They were highly respectful and engaged positively with all aspects of the tour. Thank you to Mr Murray, Ms Scott, Ms O'Brien, and Ms Kelly for helping make the trip such a success.

Girls' Soccer Team Aviva Trip

Our Girls' Soccer Team went to the Ireland v Cyprus match in The Aviva on the evening of 3rd December. The girls had an experience that they will always remember!

Thank you to Mr Gillen, Mr Quilty, Ms Gath, Robbie, and our parent/grandparent volunteers for giving up their free time to help create such a wonderful memory for the children!

Parent's Association

The Board would like to extend our gratitude to the Parents' Association for the incredible work they have done over the past year. The success of their fundraising initiatives has been extraordinary. We are also very grateful for the part they played in the many positive changes that have taken place, most recently the uniform policy review.