



# **Board of Management | Annual Report 2020**

## **Board of Management 2019/2023**

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#### **Initiatives**

- School grounds enhanced with planting and posts at hall have padding attached
- School hosted astronaut during Dark Sky Festival
- School celebrated Maths Week and Science Week
- One class also engaged with the Junior Entrepreneurs' Programme
- Our school is implementing the New Language Curriculum in English and Gaeilge
- Reading Recovery established in the school

# **Catholic School Ethos**

- Our Second class received the sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion was deferred to August 22nd this year.
- Sixth class celebrated the end of year with an outdoor graduation ceremony
- Classes had prepared to celebrate Newport 300 with a pageant- and the choir had planned to record a CD

## **Highlights**

- The building of a new classroom will hopefully go ahead in the autumn when normal life resumes.
- Visiting music teacher: Chris O'Malley
- Visiting Sports coach: Brian McLoughlin
- Visiting rugby skills teacher: David Keogh

### **Policy Development & Review**

RSE policy, Code of Behaviour, SEN teaching, Enrolment and Covid procedures Consultation with all stakeholders on Draft policies – email submissions welcome to BOM

## **Sporting Achievements**

Sporting and arts activity were cancelled due to the outbreak of Covid-19. Schools closed on March 12<sup>th</sup> and we hope to re-open fully in September le cúnamh Dé.

#### School self-evaluation

- Literacy initiatives: peer tutoring and literacy lift-off – Team teaching
- Numeracy: Mental maths and focus on language of mathematical operations
- Year 4 2019/20 **Oral language** initiatives

### Parents' Association

- Hosted Pancake Tuesday
- Provided refreshments at open evening and social events including sports day & mass
- Information evening for parents organised.

# Staffing

- Joanna Basczynska was recruited as cleaner.
- Martin Hughes recruited as SNA

Enrolment in excess of 200 means we have eight mainstream Classes and three Explores' classes for the next number of years.

Looking forward to seeing everyone back on September 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.