



Agreed Report – Whitecross N.S. Board of Management

Board of Management Meetings 2022 – 2023

Date of Meeting: 7th February 2023

Venue: Whitecross N.S. - Library

Duration of Meeting: 2 hours

The Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting: 12th January 2023.

Correspondence:

The Board approved a request for Maria Sheil to provide music lessons with Junior & Senior Infants for 5 weeks. The Board will also subsidise the cost of these lessons.

Finance:

The Board was presented with the accounts for the four-month period from September 2022 to December 2022.

Principal's Report:

Enrolment – 424 children currently enrolled which includes 12 children enrolled in the ASD classes.

As a result of the reduced pupil-teacher ratio in the staffing schedule in Circular 0006/2023, the school will be appointing a 17th mainstream teacher in September 2023.

Staffing – The school currently employs 40 staff.

Child Safeguarding

The Principal presented the Child Protection Oversight Report for this meeting to the Board.

Teaching & Learning

Staff continue to receive sustained support from PDST with the implementation of the Primary Language Curriculum. Support was received from PDST to assist with creating Digital Learning Portfolios for children.

Internet Safety Day – Workshops on Internet Safety for children from 3rd to 6th Class, Staff and Parents took place last week.



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Applications for Career Break & Job Share – the Board approved all applications for leave. A limit will be imposed for both Teachers on SNAs applying for leave from September 2023.

School Choir – the choir is currently being organised by Ms Crosse & Ms Shields

Ethos – Confirmation will take place on Monday 27th February. First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 20th May.

Sport – GAA training will continue this term for all classes. A rugby blitz took place on the 26th January.

Creative Schools – Ms Magee & Ms McGrath have organised a Creative School's Committee to work with consultant Declan Gorman on this project.

Policy Development

The Board aim to review the Job Share & Career Break policies and draft a Mobile Phones Policy for staff before the end of June.

The next Board meeting will include the annual review of the Anti-Bullying Policy.

Next Meeting: The next meeting was not scheduled.