



## **Agreed Report – Whitecross N.S. Board of Management**

### **Board of Management Meetings 2023 – 2024**

**Date of Meeting:** 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

**Venue:** Staffroom

**Duration of Meeting:** 3.5 hours

The Board approved the minutes of the previous meeting: 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

#### **Agreed Report:**

##### **Domain 1: Leading Teaching & Learning**

**Curricular Development:** Oide will provide in-service on the Primary Maths Curriculum on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

**School Self-Evaluation:** Staff continue to implement the Mental Maths Plan and are currently devising an SSE Plan for Wellbeing.

**Curriculum Policy Review:** Staff are focusing on revising the English Plan and the SPHE Plan.

**Information Technology:** The Board approved the purchasing of an additional set of Chromebooks and a trolley for their storage.

##### **Domain 2: Managing the Organisation**

**Safety, Health & Welfare:** The Safety, Health & Welfare Statement is currently being revised.

**Maintenance:** Repairs to shelves have being undertaken. Prices are being sought for shelving and cupboards in the Secretary's Office.

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



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**Enrolment:** There are currently 415 children enrolled in the school. There are 30 children enrolled to commence in Junior Infants in September 2024. All three Autism classes are currently full so a waiting list is in operation.

**Staffing:** The Board ratified the appointment of Mr Roche to the position of Assistant Principal II.

### **Ethos:**

- Second & Sixth Classes attend mass every alternative Friday.
- Confirmation takes place on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024
- First Holy Communion takes place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024

### Domain 3: Leading School Development

**Policy Development:** Staff continue to review the following:

- Safety, Health & Welfare Statement
- Critical Incidents Policy
- Healthy Eating Policy

**Building Update:** The Board were informed of the outstanding issues that require completion. The Design Team and Builders are communicating on how best to resolve these issues.

**Permanent Extension (Autism Classes):** All surveying is now complete and a Wildlife Survey has also been undertaken.

### **Sport:**

- St. Pat's GFC have organised Damien Sheridan to provide GAA skills training this term.
- Boyne RFC are providing rugby training for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class.

**Creative Schools:** Artist, Aisling Moonan has provided a proposal for installing a mural in the infant corridor.

### Domain 4: Developing Leadership Capacity

### **Continuous Professional Development:**

- Two teachers continue to attend Reading Recovery
- One teacher is completing the Diploma in Special Education
- One SNA is completing the Diploma in Inclusive School Support
- Three teachers attended Oide in-service on managing EAL provision



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**Choir:** Mr Monaghan & Ms Crosse organised for the school choir to attend the Peace Proms on the 7<sup>th</sup> December

**After-School's Clubs:** The following after-school clubs are currently running:

- Homework Club (Ms Hynes & Ms Hamill)
- Irish Dancing (Anne McFadden)
- Sports Club (Mr Morrissey & Mr Murphy)

### **Policies Ratified:**

There were no policies proposed for ratification as this was the first meeting of the new Board.

All Board members signed Form 2 – Declaration of Acceptance of Membership of the School Board of Management.

**Next Meeting:** The meeting was scheduled for Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024.