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Composition of the BOM

Chairperson: Martin Reidy

Secretary: Laura Casey (Principal)

Treasurer: Barry Cuneen

Staff Rep: Shane O Gorman

Parents Reps: Mandy Stephens and Philip Tiernan

Patrons Reps: Triona O Flaherty and Fr John Duignan

Staffing and class allocation

Laura Casey: Principal and SET Teacher

Bríd McCoy: Deputy Principal and 2nd class teacher

Shane O Gorman: AP2 post holder and 3rd class teacher

Angela Naughton: AP2 post holder and 5th class teacher

Niall Mc Manus: 6th Class teacher

Darragh Flynn: 4th class teacher

Ann Connaughton: SET

Carla Browne: SET

Jacinta Fitzpatrick: SET

Maureen Ryan: SNA

Jennifer Naughton: SNA

Helen Cunney: Secretary

Bernie Corrigan: Cleaner

Pat Murray: Caretaker

Buildings

All of the windows in the school will be replaced in October 2022. It was decided that it was not the right time to do work on the stairs due to the continuing Covid situation and the disruption this project would cause to teaching and learning. This project could be looked at in the future. Some painting work was carried out across the school, New carpet was laid on one section of the corridor.

<u>School inspection</u> The school inspector, Lena Ni Duinn, carried out an inspection in November. She was very pleased with the teaching and learning she saw. The school continues to work on suggestions she made around DEIS planning for improvement in the areas of literacy and numeracy.



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<u>IT</u> - Two new interactive whiteboards and a number if iPads were purchased, which enhanced the teaching and learning for all pupils.

School Ethos Communion was held on the 21st of May. Confirmation was held on the 30th of April. Catholic schools week was celebrated in the school in January. Prayer services and school masses were held throughout the year.

<u>Parents</u> The school launched a facebook page in order to improve communication with our parent body. Parents were updated regularly through letters, texts and e.mails. Parent-teacher meetings were held remotely due to Covid 19.

<u>Attendance</u> Attendance levels were as we had expected this year due to the ongoing pandemic and the effect it has on school attendance.

<u>HSCL</u> Leonora assisted and supported many families throughout the year running courses on art, crafts and baking. The HSCL also assisted families with the transition to secondary school and the transition to senior school programme. The HSCL liaised with families who were experiencing difficulties and sought to link them in with other agencies, e.g. Triple P and Barnardos.

<u>SCP</u> Project worker and co-ordinator providing one to one, group and whole class support in the area of social and emotional difficulty and life skills. Care Team meetings held monthly and continued funding of school breakfast and lunch.

<u>Policies</u> The healthy eating policy was reviewed.

<u>Reconfiguration of the school</u> Discussions were held throughout the year under the guidance of the patron, with the school staff and the board of management, in the context of falling enrolment numbers in our school. An opportunity for the school to reconfigure as a co-ed vertical school will continue to be examined in the next school year, in order to secure the future of the school in our community.

School finances Balance on account at the end of the school year 2022 was €48,484.00

Other events /activities

- 1. Polytunnel We were presented with a polytunnel and associated expertise from a horticulturalist. This project is part of a literacy project being run by the LWETB.
- 2. The Garda horses visited the school.
- 3. The PDST advised the school in matters relating to DEIS planning and EAL planning
- 4. Soccer, GAA, swimming, athletics, yoga, self-defence, variety of yard games, school
- 5. Fundraiser for a boy with severe needs raised €180. A no uniform day fundraiser was held for Crumlin Children's hospital which raised €159.
- 6. A disused storage room was refurbished to make a sensory room for pupils. The funding for this came from a donation from past pupils.
- 7. HEPA air filters were installed into every room.
- 8. Chess was taught to 5th and 4th classes.
- 9. Literacy summer camp held for younger pupils in July