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Board of Management - Agreed Report 6th February 2024

An ordinary meeting of the Board of Management was held on 6/2/2024. The following is an agreed report to be circulated to all members of the school community. Matters of a confidential nature (if any) are not included.

Principal's Report

Mr. Kearins presented the Board with an updated report on various matters in the school. Mr. Kearins also presented a Child Protection Oversight report and a periodic Anti-Bullying report to the Board. Mr. Kearins updated the Board on matters in relation to learning and teaching, school self-evaluation, staffing, enrolment, maintenance/repairs, attendance and recent events.

The Board also approved the purchasing of another set of Chromebooks and additional reading material for junior classes. A grant has been received to purchase some new furniture also.

The Board noted the very positive report and feedback received following the recent visit from the Diocesan Advisors.

Treasurer's Report

A detailed report of income and expenditure for September – December 2023 was presented.

Career- Break and Job-Sharing applications

The Board reviewed and approved career break/job-sharing applications from teachers for the 2024/2025 school year.

Policy Review

The annual review of the Code of Behaviour was conducted. Staff, Parents' association and Student Council were consulted as part of this review. The Code of Behaviour was ratified at this meeting (document attached to this agreed report).

A review of the Acceptable Use Policy was conducted recently and the updated policy was ratified at this meeting (document attached).

The newly updated Parental Complaints Procedure has been reviewed and adopted by the Board. It will be available on the school's website.

The Board noted that a review of the school's Critical Incident Policy is underway.

Parents' Association

The Board congratulated the Parents' Association on organising and running the recent Pop-up shop for First Communion clothing. A fantastic initiative - well done to all who volunteered in anyway and those who donated clothing.



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