Dear Parents

The following is the agreed report of the Board of Management following a meeting on 11th February 2026.

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Pastoral & Parish:

- We celebrated Catholic Schools Week 2026 in January. The theme celebrated holiness in our school and our community.
- We celebrated Grandparents' Day on Friday 3o January. It was a truly wonderful event and thanks are expressed to all who made it possible.
- The Service of Light/Commitment Ceremony will be held on Sunday 1 March (12pm Mass) (for 6th Class).
- The Confirmation will be celebrated on Friday 13th March.
- First Confessions will be held on Tuesday 24th March at 1pm in the church (2nd Class)
- Fr Michael expressed his thanks to the children for coming and collecting their St Bridget's Crosses during mass.

School Improvement Plan, Curriculum & Professional Development:

- Our School Self-Evaluation this year is focusing our approach to assessment with a particular focus on child-led assessment. This ties in nicely with our Digital Learning Plan with is also focusing on how digital technologies can enhance our assessment practices. We are in the implementation stage of the SSE cycle this term. The ISLT will continue to support teachers in its implementation and progress will be monitored. We will evaluate our progress in May.
- We continue to meet our targets that we set as part of our School Improvement Plan for this year.
- The teaching staff engaged in CPD on 27 January in relation to the new Primary Curriculum Framework and we will have a second training day on 28 April.
- The SNA team recently engaged with training on Lego Therapy and on the NCSE's Relate document.

Events/Other:

- The Christmas plays/performances were a great success. JI, SI, and 3rd Class were involved. Well done to all for such super performances. The Carol Service was also a lovely occasion, and it was very well attended.
- Our 4th Classes will be takin part in The Big Sing on 20th April. Many thanks to the teachers involved in their preparation.
- Our Student Council meets once a month. Bryan Hickson, Chairperson of the Parents Association came to our last meeting to discuss ideas for future events and also to get their thoughts on fundraising priorities. The Student Council has met many of the targets that they have set and continue to bring pupil voice to our meetings.
- Online Safety Week is taking place this week. The Online Safety Charter that the PA developed was brought to the attention of parents/guardians. The Chairperson of the PA (Bryan Hickson) met with 5th and 6th Classes last week to talk about critical thinking and AI. Many thanks to him for this.
- Our camogie team will be starting training soon (2nd March). Huge thanks, as always, to the staff who give so generously of their time to train teams (Ms. Cathy Hegarty, Ms. Orla Smith and Ms. Sinéad Treacy).

- Junior Infants to 1st Class are involved in Write-a-Book once again this year. Thanks to all involved in the worthwhile initiative.
- We have been reviewing the use of digital technologies in SNP and the teaching staff have been considering how to best harness their potential for learning, teaching and assessment. Thanks to API Orla Smith for leading this.
- Our 1st and 5th Classes will soon start preparations for their performances in April with their class teachers and Ms. Suzanne Binley.
- We will celebrate Seachtain na Gaeilge during the week leading up to St. Patrick's Day.

Additional Education Needs/Autism Class:

We have changed some of the language that we use when speaking about additional needs as follows: our autism class will no longer be called 'Fireflies' but will be called after the name of the class teacher (this year 'Ms. Smith's Class). We also don't use the word 'unit' when referring to the class, nor do we call it the 'ASD Class'. We will now say additional needs rather than special needs and our special needs assistants will now be called 'additional needs assistants' (ANAs).

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Yours Sincerely

The Board of Management