



San Carlo Senior School Board of Management

Agreed Report October 2nd, 2023



Board of Management: Present: Clare Mac Hugh, Niall Sherlock, Helen Egan, Kathleen Molloy, Lorraine O'Sullivan, Alison Healy, Denis Hourihane.

Numbers on Roll: 292

School Attendance: September: 93.6%

Staffing Allocation for 23/24: 11 mainstream class teachers, 1 special class teacher, 3.75 Special Education Teachers, 5.5 SNA posts. Two teachers are job sharing and two SNAs are job sharing.

Child Protection: Following the publication of Circular 36/2023 on child protection procedures and as per section 2.4, the board of management shall formally adopt the 2023 procedures.

Welcoming our new pupils: We held an introduction meeting for parents and guardians of our new 3rd class pupils in September.

School Ethos: Confirmation 2024 has been scheduled for Wed, March 6th at 11am.

School Self Evaluation: Wellbeing as a subject area is part of the new curriculum framework. Our Nurture programme has resumed and 4th classes are piloting a wellbeing workbook called Mindful Matters.

Curriculum and Special Education: Maths is now the focus of the new Primary Curriculum Framework, with webinars and training upcoming. We will be required to take one school closure along with the Junior school.

ICT: Every classroom has a touchscreen, now that we have installed three new Lyra in our 3rd class rooms.

Buildings and Equipment:

During the summer months we removed the old wooden fencing in front of the school and replaced it with metal fencing, in conjunction with the Junior school. We used Covid grant funding for a deep-clean of the school which included steam-cleaning all carpets, window washing and cleaning and dusting those high-up and difficult-to-reach areas. We also replaced 9 damaged classroom blinds, removed old worn boards at the back yard wall and took away the thorny Pyracantha hedging in front of the windows.

Sport and Healthy Living: Our GAA coordinator Conor Gordon is coaching our 5th and 6th class pupils at the Confey GAA grounds until mid-term. He is running after-school hurling sessions for 3rd/4th classes with the help of teachers.

Congratulations to past pupil Anita Ford who won gold with Team Ireland in basketball at the Special Olympics in June.

Our 5th and 6th classes are taking part in the Marathon Kids 6 week athletics programme. Thanks to Bernice Corscadden (PA) for helping to organise. Our cross-country team made the school proud in Santry in the first outing of the new school year.

Health and Safety:

Fire drill took place on Tuesday 26th September.

Student Council: Elections will take place in early October to elect the new student councillors for this school year.

Parents' Association: Second-hand uniform sales took place in August. The AGM was held on September 12th. The first disco of the new school year was a great success and fundraising plans are up and running for the annual Halloween Walk.