

Report on the work of the Board of Management of Ballyfacey N.S. 2018 – 2019

The Board of Management met on regular occasions during the school year 2018 – 2019. All members made frequent and important contributions which has helped the Board to carry out its work smoothly.

A comprehensive Treasurer's Report was given at all meetings and great efforts are being made to use our financial resources wisely and for the best benefit of the children and delivery of the curriculum.

Our application for additional accommodation was approved this year and the school will soon begin work on adding an extra classroom, additional toileting facilities and a Special Educational teacher's classroom as well as modifying two smaller classrooms into one.

A report - on how the school is meeting its child safeguarding obligations - was made by the Principal at each Board meeting as per Department of Education Guidelines.

The Board of Management members are:

Fr. O' Toole - Chairperson
Tommy O' Gorman - Principal and Secretary
Eddie Synnott - Patron's Nominee and Treasurer
Bernadette Reid - Parent Nominee
Seán O' Callaghan - Parent Nominee
Eleanor O' Connor - Community Nominee
Paddy Murphy - Community Nominee
Ciara O' Connor - Teaching Staff Nominee

Please find below a full list of all work carried out by the Board of Management since the beginning of the school year.

Issues Dealt With Include:

- Employing new school secretary
- School heating system upgrade
- Payments of expenses
- School Security
- Sacramental preparations for First Penance, First Holy Communion and Confirmation
- Replacement of doors
- Enrolment of new pupils
- Curricular Development – Language Curriculum
- Purchase of new graded reading scheme
- Staffing arrangements and appointments
- School Insurance
- Attendance
- School financial planning
- School calendar of events and holidays

- Sporting arrangements
- Standardised Testing
- Revision of policies
- Relevant Contracts Tax
- Revenue online payments
- Resource teaching
- Work carried out in co-operation with other local schools.
- Certification and maintenance of School Fire Alarm and Emergency Lighting
- Maintenance of water pump
- New photocopier purchased
- ICT equipment purchased
- School Cleaning supplies
- Ancillary Staff work arrangements
- Cyber Bullying and Internet Safety talk
- 150 year anniversary event organisation
- October returns to Dept. of Education for pupil enrolment numbers
- School excursions
- Classroom and ancillary staff resources and materials purchased

The Board of Management thank the pupils for their efforts and co-operation, the parents for supporting the school and its activities and the wider community for its goodwill.

The Board also extend their gratitude to the Parents Association which also carries out great work for the benefit of the school. Many thanks extended to all volunteers who gave their time to the school this year also – helping out with school teams, providing lifts to Church practices and matches, helping out at school events such as the 150 year anniversary or school nativity.

The Board of Management wish pupils leaving for Secondary School every blessing and look forward to our new intake of pupils in late August.

The Board are happy to serve the school and promises to continue to work hard to meet its obligations and stay always within its remit. The children will be supported through the provision of a safe learning environment. The Board hopes that this account gives an understanding of the role, which it has, and the work carried out.

We wish all a very safe and enjoyable summer.

Signed: Thomas O'Leary Date 17th June 2019

Chairperson
Board of Management
Ballyfacey N.S.