

Board Meeting Agreed Report – June 4th, 2024

The minutes from the meeting of May 7th were accepted and the agenda for this meeting was adopted.

Principal's Report:

School Activities & Events

- The Board was updated on recent student activities, including our whole-school sports day, school tours to AstroBay and the Aran Islands, the 2nd Year GCE Workshop to Brigit's Garden, the Childline Breakfast Morning and a girls' Gynae Talk for all female students. The Board was also updated on a recent whole-school assembly which celebrated student achievement and was followed by a memorial for those suffering due to the situation in Palestine and Israel.
- Members of the Student Council were thanked for their work on the whole-school assembly and the recent student breakfast.

Staff CPD

- The Board was updated on recent staff CPD in the areas of SEN, student leadership, languages and Computer Science, as well the new short course being offered to first years next year in the area of democratic education.

Teaching and Learning

- The Board was updated on ongoing work in this area, in particular the coordination of literacy, numeracy and digital strategy to tie in with our identified focus of creating self-directed learners.
- 18 students will attend the Summer Programme for two weeks in July.
- 2 main centres and a number of special centres will operate over the next 2 weeks for the Junior Certificate exams.
- We have been accepted on to the pilot programme for Drama, Theatre and Film Studies at Senior Cycle for 2025-2026.

Other Updates

- The Board discussed correspondence that had been received and associated actions.
- The Board was updated on the outcome of Motions at the recent ET AGM.
- The Board was updated on recent correspondence from the Department of Education in relation to our permanent accommodation. Confirmation of the completed compulsory purchase order for the site at Garraun has been received.
- Works are expected to begin on the adjacent building to facilitate increased intake for the coming academic year.
- The Board ratified the Attendance and Participation Strategy, the One-to-One Confidentiality Policy and the Teacher Education Placement Policy.
- The Child Protection and Anti-bullying Oversight Reports were completed.