

**Board of Management
End of Year Report
2023 2024**

Board of Management

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Chairperson: Peter Conway, **Secretary:** Morgan Doran, **Treasurer:** Derek Devine, **Patron Nominees:** Peter Conway, Siobhán McBennett, **Community Nominees:** Denis Byrne, Kate McLoone, **Parental Nominees:** Elaine Sweetman, Derek Devine, **Teacher Nominee:** Aaron Purcell.

Pupils

Number on Roll

717

Staffing

Staffing Schedule

30 classroom teachers, 11 Special Education Teachers (S.E.T.) plus 1 English as an Additional Language teacher (E.A.L.), Administrative Principal and Administrative Deputy Principal

School Self Evaluation/School Improvement Plan

School Self Evaluation 2023 - 2026

(Currently on Step 3 of the 6 Step cycle)

Firstly, we surveyed our teaching staff and asked them to rank the eight principles of the Primary Curriculum Framework in order of priority. Engagement and Participation, Pedagogy, and Inclusive Education and Diversity were prioritised.

Secondly, we surveyed the parents and asked them to answer a series of questions which began with; 'My child learns best when....' and a range of learning styles were listed. For example, 'My child learns best when.....

Thirdly, we surveyed the pupils and asked them to answer similar questions to those posed in the Parent Survey (Please note that the Parent Survey had to be completed before the Pupil Survey to prevent the pupils' answers influencing the Parent's Survey.)

It is our intention to use the data from the Parent's Survey and from the Pupil's Survey to direct improvement in the teaching and learning of Maths and Irish across the three principles of 'Engagement and Participation', 'Pedagogy', and 'Inclusive Education and Diversity'. Elements of 'The Cosán Framework' will be the vehicle of change.

Teachers will be asked to carry out professional reflection at stage one. Then, by facilitating Professional Networking, Triad Sharing and Classroom Observation, our teaching staff will adopt the desired learning styles, strategies, and resources highlighted by the parents and pupils in their respective surveys and considered 'best practice'.

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Curriculum

Specific Projects

Guided Reading
High Achievers
Team Teaching
Weaving Well
Being Junior Infants - 6th class

School Planning

Primary Language Curriculum Support from OIDE Midday Closure 24.11.23
Primary Maths Curriculum Support from OIDE School Closure 29.05.24
Digital Framework.
Updating our Plean Scoile.

New Developments

Maths Curriculum.
Primary Curriculum Framework
Special Needs Assistant Exceptional Review
Special Education Allocation 2024 – 2025

Policy

Admission Policy of Rush National School
Assistive Technology Policy
Child Safeguarding Statement and Risk Assessment
Drama Policy, Geography Policy
Physical Education Policy
Polasaí Gaeilge
School Care Team Policy
Health and Safety Policy
Yard Supervision Policy
Anti-Bullying Policy, Anti-Cyber Bullying Policy
Sustainable Environment Policy
Literacy Policy
Whole School Policy for Supporting Pupils with Special Education Needs in Rush National School
Social, Personal and Health Education
Parental Complaints Procedure
Administration of Medicines
Relationships and Sexuality Education

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Extracurricular Activities

Sport Events

Gaelic Football
Soccer
Athletics
Basketball
Cricket
Hurling
Camogie
Olympic Handball
Swimming
Lunchtime leagues

Other Events

Credit Union Quiz Team
Carol Service
Chess Club

Parental Involvement

P.A.C:

Annual General Meeting 09.11.23.
Parent/Teacher Meetings 22.01.24. - 25.01.24
Christmas Disco
Communion Reception
Confirmation Reception
Graduation Disco
Uniform Swap

Fundraisers:

Halloween Cake Sale 27.10.24
Book Fair 27.11.23. - 01.12.23
Christmas Card Fundraiser
Easter Cake Sale 21.03.24

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Buildings

Repairs:

Roof repairs Prefab 3 & Prefab 4
New carpets in 12 rooms and 2 prefabs

Improvements:

New storage areas in the staffroom and literacy room.
Sensory corridor installed

Furniture:

15 green tables and 30 green chairs
15 red tables and 30 red chairs
15 dark blue chairs
45 blue leg tables and 90 blue chairs
Interactive Whiteboard delivered for Prefab 4

Equipment:

Restock by post holders
STEM resources

Health and Safety

Doctors/Nurse/Dentist:

Flu Vaccine: Junior Infants - 6th Class (except Senior Infants) 06.10.23
Eyesight: Junior Infants 14.12.23

Health & Safety:

None.

Medical:

None.

Fire Drill:

Two practice sessions. Drill on the 23.11.23, 17.01.24, 18.04.24

Issues to Rectify:

Working our way through items to correct/fix from the Safety Audit

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Outside Agencies

Soccer coach
G.P.O. from St. Maurs
Rugby coach
Cricket coach

Use of School Premises by the Community

Monday: Afterschool Soccer, Mr. Byrne's Homework Club, Creative Club, Stargazers, Adult Art Classes, Lifestyle Monks
Tuesday: Afterschool Soccer, Lifestyle Monks
Wednesday: Afterschool Soccer, Dance Academy, Mr. Byrne's Homework Club
Thursday: Afterschool Soccer, Lifestyle Monks, Mr. Byrne's Homework Club, Playball
Friday: Afterschool Soccer, Lifestyle Monks
Saturday: Ballet, Lifestyle Monks

School Events/Achievements

School Events:

Paired reading with St. Joseph's Secondary School
Wellness Wednesday 18.10.23, 15.11.23, 13.12.23
Junior Infants Induction Afternoon 20.10.23
STEM Week 20.11.23. - 24.11.23
Drámaíocht 05.03.24
World Book Day 07.03.24
Seachtain na Gaeilge 11.03.24. - 15.03.24
Internet Safety Week 08.04.24. - 12.04.24
Junior Infants Induction Night 29.05.24
Pat O'Farrell Uniform Shop Visit 14.06.24
Traffic Warden Presentation 14.07.24
Inter-Schools Quiz 17.06.24
Class Level Sports Days June 2024
Superhero Day 27.06.24

School Trips:

Room 2 to 'Bounce and Beyond'
School Choir to Nursing Home 20.12.23
Gaiety Panto 11.01.24 6th class
Dreamspace Visit to 4th Class 26.02.24
ESB Science Blast Trip Room 3 06.03.24
Leinster House Trip Room 2 16.05.24.

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Senior Infants School Tour 22.05.24
Jeanie Johnson Trip Fifth Classes 28.05.24, 30.05.24, 31.05.24, 06.05.24
First Class School Tour 30.05.24
Sixth Class School Tour 06.06.24
Fifth Class School Tour 11.06.24
Fourth Class School Tour 12.06.24
Junior Infants School Tour 13.06.24
Third Class School Tour 14.06.24
Second Class School Tour 19.06.24

Sacramental Preparation:

‘Do This in Memory’ and ‘Led by the Spirit’ programmes
Retreat Room 1: 30.01.24
Retreat Room 2: 06.02.24
Julian Group Retreat Room 3 19.03.24
First Confession 20.03.24
Sacrament of Confirmation 27.04.24
First Holy Communion 27.05.24

Celebrations:

School Street Day 22.09.23
Friendship Week 04.12.23. - 08.12.23
Parish Carol Service 12.12.23
Nativity Play Junior Infants 20.12.23
Carol Service 21.12.23
Dublin Olympic Handball Finals 23.01.24
Lá Glas 15.03.24
Grandparents’ Day 18.06.24
Team Awards 20.06.24
Sixth Class Graduation, Room 1 & Room 2 26.06.24
Sixth Class Graduation, Room 3 27.06.24
Sixth Class Disco 27.06.24

Educational Visits:

Journaling for Wellbeing 6th Class 02.11.23/03.11.23
Fire Safety Visit 3rd and 4th Class
Fifth Class History Visit 30.11.23
Cycle Safety Course 5th Classes x 6 lessons completed
Relationships and Sexuality Talk, 6th Class 22.02.24
Engineer’s Talk 19.04.24
Farm Visit 05.06.24
Transition to Secondary School Programme, Ray Langan 05.06.24

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Heritage in School Visit 11.06.24
First Aid Talk, Room 1 & Room 2 12.06.24
First Aid Talk, Room 3 13.06.24
Drama Workshop 19.06.24

School Fundraisers:

Rush Around the World 09.10.23. - 20.10.23

Non-Uniform Days:

St. Vincent De Paul 15.12.23
Uganda Immersion Project 01.03.24
End of Year 27.06.24, 28.06.24.