

Board of Management Agreed Report: 08 November 2021

Correspondence

Following the NCSE Review in September, we were advised that we have been allocated an additional two SNAs. One SNA began on 01 November, and we are awaiting the appointment of the second SNA through CETB.

Circulars

All circulars since the last BoM meeting have been related to other sectors and/or HR related matters.

Educational Matters

Forbairt: Fiona O' Regan, Eva O' Sullivan and the Senior Management Team have commenced the Forbairt project in the area of success criteria (linked to learning outcomes). Success criteria set expectations for students, allow students to extend themselves and facilitate teachers in ascertaining how well students have understood and managed the learning intentions. A number of days training took place and a meeting with an advisor in relation to same took place in early November. Teachers who will be involved in the project will upskill in the coming weeks; a presurvey will take place prior to the Christmas exams., success criteria will be introduced to certain classes for a 4–6-week period in January/February, focus groups and teacher discussions will then take place to determine the success of the project and if successful, it will be disseminated to all staff. The Forbairt group will be involved in an Active Learning Community with 4-5 other schools in November to share ideas.

CLASS (Covid Learning and Support Scheme) Allocation: Based on 2020 October Returns and therefore do not take into account additional students.

Meetings

- 23 September- All Staff (Post of Responsibility Review)
- 24 September- SSE Coordinator and Senior Management Team (school Self-Evaluation (SSE))
- 28 September- NEPS Planning Meeting (NEPS Psychologists Fiona du Boucher Ryan and Liz Lane, Caroline Collins (SENCO) and Senior Management Team)
- 04 October Post of Responsibility Focus Group
- 11 October- All Staff
- 02 November- All Staff

CPD

Forbairt Training- Fiona O' Regan, Eva O' Sullivan and Senior Management Team

Droichead Training for Newly Qualified Teachers- run by college Droichead Team (Caroline Collins, Aine Daly, Fiona O'Regan)

Applied Maths Inservice- Eoghan O' Brien

SPHE Inservice- Bláithín Kiernan

Engineering Training- Alan Keane, Olan Lynch

NEPS Training on Differentiation- All Staff- 04/11/21 (also included survey taken by all staff and work undertaken by a focus group)

Policies

Policies were reviewed by staff and shared with students and parents for feedback.

- o Anti-bullying Policy (review)
- o Code of Behaviour (review)

Student Council

Elections

Policy Development: Student Voice Policy (will be available at next BoM meeting)

Attendance at ISSU Training

Trick or Treat for Temple Street Fundraiser

Policy Review

Beyond the Classroom:

ECA programme in full swing

DATS testing -5th year students

'Bonding Day'- 1st year students

Information Evening for Leaving Cert. Parents and Students- Mary Kelleher, Eva O' Sullivan

Art Gallery- 5th and 6th year Art students

Mental Health Week/Wellbeing Week- an array of activities including community involvement (Fundraising for Carrig for Carrigtwohill and participation of college choir in Carrig Aware event)

Opening Service- All year groups

Assemblies for all year groups with Principal

European Day of Languages

Trip to Kinsale Outdoor Pursuit Centre- 1st year students

Leaving Cert. Geography Trip

First Year Door Wars Competition

Science Ecology Trip- 3rd year students

STEAM Enrichment Programme- 2nd year students

Biology Ecology Trip- 5th and 6th year Biology students

Halloween Cinema Trip- TY students

Maths Week- whole school community

Virtual Higher Options Exhibition- TY- 6th year students

Training/Matches- Gaelic Football, Camogie, Hurling, Soccer, Basketball

IMMERSE Research Project- 2nd, 3rd, 5th year students (with the consent of parents)

The Board acknowledged the huge effort made every day by staff as well as the positive contribution from all of the students.