February 24th of February.

A normal meeting of the Board of Management took place. The Board considered applications for Career Break and JobShare arrangements. These were approved. The board received a letter of resignation from our SNA, Amy Martin. Amy is pursuing a career in teaching. We wish to acknowledge her huge contribution to the school and wish her well in her success in the future.

The school is preparing for the intake of 58 students next year. The removal of woodwork due to a lack of teachers is very disappointing. The school will hopefully reinstate this as a subject for teachers as soon as possible. The school is reviewing the TY modulus that we currently offer to be inline with the new TY specifications. Senior Cycle options are currently being reviewed and information sessions for students and parents are underway. Senior Cycle option night was well attended. Our allocation has been received and it is broadly in line with previous years. Robbie Doran, our Home School Liaison will have completed his 5 years at the end of this academic year. The board wishes to thank Robbie for 5 years of hard work.

The monthly balances were shared with the board, as was the full audited accounts. Thank you to Frank Kiernan for all his work in completing this.

1. Teaching and Learning.-

The mocks ran smoothly. Thank you to all staff and in particular Una Wheelan for all her work. Extra support has been put in place to support 5th Years- Check and Connect training was offered and 9 staff volunteered to participate.

2. Post of Responsibility Review. – Needs and Priorities were discussed. A report created by a staff focus group was shared. Thank you to all staff for their engagement in the process

3. Health and Safety Statement:

A Safety Statement and recommendations was shared with the board. Areas for improvement were identified and will be systematically addressed.

Policy

The new Relate document and in particular the Behaviours of Concern Procedures were discussed. The board are aware of the mandatory reporting obligations placed on the school. The board was informed of the work currently happening regarding Restorative Practice.

The Board reviewed the Critical Incident Policy. The board was presented with an example of how information regarding vulnerable students is shared with staff.

Principal Report

The school is currently receiving Oide training for school support teams. They have commented that much of our work is exemplary

• A Prayer Room for Muslim Students during Ramadan has been established.