

Board of Management Meeting - Agreed Report - February 13th 2026

Pupils

No change to our enrolment figures since our last meeting

Child Protection

Child Protection Oversight Report presented.

Bi Cinealta - Anti- Bullying

Anti-bullying report presented.

Attendance

1 child has missed over 20 days this school year.

School Closures

The school was closed on Tuesday, November 25th due to mains repair work by Uisce Eireann.

The school was closed for inservice training for staff on the new Child Protection Guidelines on December 1st.

The school will close on February 19th & 20th for our midterm break. We will also close on February 26th to facilitate staff training on the new curriculum.

Policies

The following policies were ratified:

- Acceptable Use Policy
- DEIS Plan 2025-2028
- Digital Learning Plan
- Sustainable Development Plan
- Exemption from the Study of Irish Policy
- Policy on the Retention of a child in the Same Grade

Policies ready for Draft Folder on website

- Arrival, Dismissal and Supervision Policy

Road Safety

We are delighted that Roscommon Co Co have commenced work on upgrading the road safety measures as outlined in our last meeting. They have currently finished replacing the paths outside the school and will be commencing the ramps soon.

S.N.A. Review

Maire Aherne conducted an SNA Review on December 8th, we are awaiting the outcome.

Follow Up Maths Inspection

Mary Martin conducted a follow up inspection in Maths on December 11th. We recently received her report which was extremely positive.

Work Experience

A student from LCC completed her 5th Year work experience with us from 9th - 13th February.

After School Service

The after-school service unfortunately did not go ahead as we didn't get sufficient numbers.

LIVING OUR ETHOS

Prayer Service

We held a prayer service in the school on Monday, January 23rd to mark Catholic Schools Week

Nursing Home Visit

We visited the Sacred Heart Nursing Home on December 17th and performed some carols for the patients

6th Class Retreat

6th Class attended a retreat in Knock on 12th February

Communion and Confirmation

First Confessions will take place for 2nd Class pupils on March 24th

The Ceremony of Light will take on March 5th

Someone Like Me Art Competition on Disability & Inclusion

We were county winners in the national Some Like Me Art Competition for our inclusion themed school collage . Mrs Concannon attended the awards ceremony in Dublin City Hall on January 28th and received a certification and €150 in One 4 All Vouchers for the school.

Friendly Fridays

Our Student Council suggested we introduce 'Friendly Fridays' as the older children would like a chance to play with the younger children and vice versa. As a result, we trialed free play for all classes during the 2nd break on a Friday. This proved to be too hazardous and so we now only allow the children from Jr Infants - 2nd Class to play together during 'Friendly Friday' breaks.

Christmas Jumper Day

€200 was raised for St Vincent De Paul.

Plumber

John Gilleran, Plumber called on January 30th to service the boiler, replace two taps in the toilet cubicles in the SEN Room and to investigate low water pressure in two of the rooms.

Sensory Area

Rubber matting was recently installed for our Sensory Area. The area will be reseeded when the weather improves. Thank you to the Parents Association for their generation donation toward the cost of this work. We also received funding from Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) in the sum of €2,500 which was put towards the expense.

CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Credit Union Art Competition

Congratulations to Harry Kenny and Jason Butler who won prizes for their art work in the recent North Midlands Credit Union Art Competition

Santa Visit

Thank you to Gerry Keenan and Leisa & Damien Murphy for co-ordinating Santa's visit on December 19th. Thanks also to Eugene Delaney for sponsoring selection boxes for each child.

LCC Variety Show

5th and 6th class attended the LCC Variety Show on December 4th

Music Generation

Music Generation Ukulele lessons are continuing weekly

Midlands Zoo Reptile Visit

On December 18th, we had a visit from Zoologist Dr John of Midlands Reptile Zoo. He brought a mix of bugs and reptiles, including a cockroache,a tarantula,a scorpion, and a snake!

BLAST

The children worked with local artist, Lorraine Donohoe from the BLAST schools programme throughout December to create beautiful Christmas trees and star shaped lanterns .

STEM Superstars

On January 8th, all classes commenced a 6 week block of STEM Lego Workshops.

Concern Debating

On February 4th our debating team Evie, Roisín and Braiens won the first round of the Concern Debating competition against Corrigeenroe NS . We are looking forward to the next stage of the competition!

Pilot

Thank you to Conor Glennon who called to talk to the children about his life as a pilot on January 14th.

Credit Union Quiz Teams

On February 6th two teams took part in the North Midlands Credit Union Quiz in the Mall, Longford. James, Paudi, Roisin & Evie were on our U13 team, they did very well coming in the top 20. Our U11 team came 2nd, huge congratulations to Rosanna, Esme, Amelia & Caoimhe.

Heritage specialist

Heritage specialist Steffi Otto visited on January 30th and made beautiful 'little Brigid' dolls with the children.

Swimming Lessons

Will commence February 24th for six weeks.

Crotchet Classes

Virginia Cosgrove will commence a block of 6 crotchet classes with the children in 3rd & 4th Class after Easter

Say Yes to Languages

French classes concluded on 27th with a French Breakfast morning in 5th & 6th Class

School Tours

The following school tours have been booked:

Jr & Sr Infants will go to Playtown in Tullamore on June 2nd

1st & 2nd Class will go to Let's Go Sports in Athlone on June 3rd

3rd - 6th Class will go to Wildlands in Galway on June 12th

FUNDRAISING

P.A. Last Man Standing

I would like to acknowledge the P.A. for all of their hard work in raising a massive €4700 with their Last Man Standing fundraiser.

They have contributed €2900 to our Sensory Area and €1600 to cover the cost of our Music Generations lessons from Jan - June. The remainder will go towards ice cream for the children on Sports Day.

Used Clothing Collection

A used clothing collection was held on December 3rd. A total of €182 was received

Christmas Card Initiative

€136 was raised by our Design A Christmas Card initiative

Sliabh Bawn Application

We submitted an application to the Sliabh Bawn Community Benefit Fund for funding to purchase resources for our outdoor sensory area. We expect to be informed of the outcome of our application by the end of April.

Christmas Raffle

We would like to thank Sonia Butler who organised a Christmas raffle and raised €840 for the school. This money will be spent on a bench and a sand pit for our outdoor area when it is completed.