

## **Board of Management Meeting - Agreed Report - March 20th 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**

3 children have missed over 20 days this school year.

### **School Closures**

The school was closed on February 26th to facilitate staff training on the new curriculum.

We will close for our Easter holidays on Friday, March 27th and reopen on April 13th.

The school will close on May 20th to facilitate staff training on the new curriculum.

### **Policies**

The following policies are due to be ratified:

- Arrival, Dismissal and Supervision Policy
- Garda Vetting
- Whole school Maths Plan
- Electronic Banking Policy
- Guidelines for using Physical Interventions and Restrictive Practices Involving Pupils

### **Policies ready for Draft Folder on website**

- Homework Policy

### **Work Experience**

A past pupil is currently completing her 5th Year work experience with us. She is a pupil of Lanesboro Community College and is here for two weeks.

## **LIVING OUR ETHOS**

### **Ash Wednesday**

Thank you to Fr Daniel who call to the school on Ash Wednesday to distribute ashes

### **Communion and Confirmation**

First Confessions took place on March 24th

The Ceremony of Light for our 6th Class pupils took place on March 5th and they made their Confirmation on March 12th in Ballyleague Church.

### **Our Shoes Campaign**

We are once again supporting the 'Our Shoes' campaign which involves sending preloved shoes to townships in Africa.

### **MAINTENANCE**

We are in the process of getting quotes for cleaning/painting both sides of the front wall of the school and for placing a cap on the chimney to prevent birds nesting.

### **Road Safety Works**

We're extremely grateful to Roscommon Co Co for completing the road safety works in Cloontuskert. They replaced the paths outside the school, tarmaced, installed 3 speed ramps and upgraded road markings and signage. This has made a huge difference to the speed at which traffic passes the school. I would like to acknowledge the huge part Cllr Nigel Dineen had in securing funding from Roscommon County Council to complete these works.

### **CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

#### **Roscommon Drama Festival Short Story Competition**

Congratulations to Harry Kenny and Roisin Concannon who received an award for their creative writing in the recent Roscommon Drama Festival Short Story Competition. Harry came 2nd overall in the 5th Class pupils category while Roisin received the 'Best in School' award.

#### **Lanesboro Library Book Review Competition**

We were delighted to hear that 3 of our students were winners in the Lanesboro Library Book Review Competition. Congratulations to Caoimhe Loughlin who came first, Juana Jiju who came 2nd and Daniel Naumov who came third.

#### **World Book Day**

We celebrated World Book Day on March 5th . The children dressed up as characters from their favourite book. We also ran a Book Fair for parents.

#### **Music Generation**

Music Generation Ukulele lessons are continuing weekly

#### **Creative Schools**

Alice Dixon visited our school in February. She met with the Creative Committee who then painted their vision for our sensory garden.

#### **Concern Debating**

Congratulations to Evie, Roisin & Braiens who are through to the semis of the Concern Debating

#### **Rugby & Soccer Blitz**

The children in 5th and 6th Class attended a rugby blitz in Creggs on March 5th and a soccer Blitz in Sligo on March 10th.

**Swimming Lessons** Will finish on April 21st

### **Cake Sale**

The children in 3rd & 4th Class organised a Bake Sale to raise funds to help cover the cost of their crochet classes. Thank you to Mrs Mulkeen who helped organise this. It was held on March 20th and €527 was raised.

### **Seachtain na Gaeilge & Lá Glas**

The children engaged in many activities during seachtain na Gaeilge such as Tráth na gCeist , Cúinne Comhrá.

The children marked St Patrick's Day on March 13th when they proudly wore green for Lá Glas. There was wonderful Irish music, singing and dancing in each room.

### **Visit from Lanesboro Library**

Thank you to Teresa from Lanesboro Library who treated the children in 1st & 2nd Class to storytime on March 13th. She also left a selection of books for the children to enjoy.

### **FUNDRAISING**

#### **Cruinniu Na nOg**

Ms. Concannon submitted an application to Creative Ireland's Programme Cruinniu Na nOg for a grant to cover the cost of our crochet classes with Virginia Cosgrove. Unfortunately, this was unsuccessful.

#### **Creative Roscommon**

Ms. Concannon submitted an application to the Creative Roscommon Programme in the hope of receiving €4000 grant aid to run a series of animation workshops in the school for the children from 3rd-6th Class. Unfortunately this was unsuccessful.

#### **Re-turn Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) Community Initiative**

We have received a Re-turn bin for the school. The Parents Association have kindly offered to take care of the bottle returns.

#### **Children's Books Ireland book-gifting projects 2026-2027**

Ms. Concannon submitted an application to the Children's Books Ireland book-gifting project 2026-2027

#### **Inver Leading Lights**

Ms. Concannon applied to our local Inver's for consideration for their Leading Lights Initiative. If successful, we could receive €1000 in funding for our outdoor sensory area.

#### **North Midlands Credit Union Social and Cultural Fund**

Miriam submitted an application to the North Midlands Credit Union Social and Cultural Fund. We hope to receive money for our sensory area.

#### **Book Fair**

Our recent book fair raised € 44 in free books for the school