

Report to Staff and Parents following Board of Management Meeting 20th May 2026

Teaching and Learning

A new Teaching and Learning Team has been appointed for a two-year term: Michelle Stafford, Marie McNamara and Sinéad Lane. Sincere thanks are extended to the outgoing team – Colm Sheehy, Aoife Johnston and Josie Harvey – for their dedication and contribution.

Curricular Plan for Senior Cycle

LCVP will not be offered to fifth year students in the coming year. This decision reflects the requirement to increase time allocation on the timetable for Senior Cycle subjects. The matter will be kept under review in future years.

School Policies and Procedures

The school has received a template for a Whole School Inclusion Policy from the ETBI, which will be worked on for the coming year.

Provision Mapping – The Board was informed that we continue to work on Provision Mapping with the ETBI. We have received feedback from staff and parents and are going to work with a focus group of students after Easter.

Training

The caretakers have completed training on Abrasive Wheel Training and Working at Heights. The Principal recently completed training on Health and Safety for Managers. Fire safety and Fire Warden training are planned for September.

Roll out of New Senior Cycle

Two additional posts of responsibility will be received for the coming year to support the rollout of the New Senior Cycle.

School Budget

The Board reviewed updated financial information for the school.

It was felt that we need to increase the charge for buses from €70 per child to €80 per child given the increase in prices for the hire of buses and this is all that is charged to families.

Buildings

Biomass – Works will be undertaken during the summer to install kerosene boilers, with a view to the Biomass system being installed later in the year. A new Guidance Counsellor office is being built in the new building to accommodate the school's third Guidance Counsellor.

Tyro

Staff have undertaken training on the Tyro management information system, which will replace VSware. The transition to Tyro took place on Friday 15th May. All parents have been asked to migrate to the new app. Staff are asked to hold off entering CBA results until Tyro is fully set up; assessment results for the end of year will be entered on Tyro.