**Castleconnell National School Board of Management Meeting Agenda**

**Monday 20th September 2021 (Face to Face)**

1. Apologies

AH, BC

1. Minutes of last meeting-read and adopted
2. Matters Arising-No matters arising

School Policies Check all policy statements for legislative change

For Ratification: a) Department Covid Response Plan-Noted

Reissued and changes made- adopted

b) Health and Safety Statement Annual Review-Done

c) Child Safeguarding Statement & RA Annual Review-Done

d) Anti-Bullying Policy Annual Review-Done

1. School Enrolments/Enrolment Summary September 2021-. 225 children currently enrolled. Retention for teacher is 220. New enrolments: two in 4th, one in third. Ratified.
2. Additional School Closures 2021-2022

PLC in service, one webinar pre-term for staff. Half day closures for these. Sustained support for PLC has been granted for the school. This will involve another half day closure. This may be rolled into one full day closure. 18th – 19th Oct. Advisor coming in to the school to meet staff in groups. Staff will be released to meet her. This will formulate plan for half day.

1. Polish School

Will go ahead this year.

1. ICT

Bought 2 new screens to trial in JI and 6th, iPad box for storing and charging them. ICT grant used for these purchases.

1. Covid Learning and Support Scheme (CLASS)

The dept have put in place a new scheme to help with lost learning during school closures. Our school we have an extra 375 teaching hours. We have clustered with Lisnagry NS and Ahane NS to give us a subbing post for the year. Starting the 11th October

1. Initiatives in the school (PIEW Model)

Shown to Board. Looking to embed all that we have taken on.

1. Primary Language Curriculum Sustained Support

See above.

1. School Building/Maintenance

 School painted outside. New blue boards bought and installed in certain classrooms

New water bill -Extra ordinary bill for school. Engineer to come and look at meter. Broken tile repair by 360 Maintenance. Also looked at roof over 5th class. Felt all damaged and broken.

1. Grant Application

Gone no further with electrical and roof grants. Contacted Dept re furniture grant for this school. It has never been granted. RR will apply for this. Road engineer has come out to look at safety outside school. New department being set up where allocated money is now going. Unsure if plan to make school safer will now go ahead.

1. Treasurers Report

Treasurer not present. Last year’s accounts ready to go to accountant. 31/08/20 accounts have been approved.

1. Principals Report

**Principals Report**

1. Staff returned to school on Monday 30th August for a full Croke Park day. All staff attended.
2. We have also had our 1st staff meeting of the year (1 per term) last Friday.
3. We have been informed of our new SENO Gerry Ryan and new NEPS Psychologist Kate Scott in the past week.
4. We have been successful in our application for sustained support for the Primary Language Curriculum and have out 1st meeting with our language advisor on Monday and Tuesday 18th and 19th October.
5. We have completed webinar 2 of DES/PDST Primary Language Curriculum support.
6. We have been successful with our application for our next Green flag “Global Citizenship-Energy” to Green schools. There will be a virtual ceremony at some point this school year and we will also mark it in the school.
7. LLO has begun in 1st class.
8. Mata sa Rang, Guided Reading and Words their Way have begun in a number of classes throughout the school.
9. Last year’s 6th class Confirmation will take place on Saturday next at 11 am.
10. 3rd Classes 1st Communion will take place Saturday week October 2nd at 1 pm.
11. Limerick Youth Service are running a fitness programme for 5th class pupils from 3-4 pm every Wednesday, provisionally up to Christmas in the school Astro.
12. Leargas attended the school last Wednesday to film a promotional video around our Erasmus project. It was mainly filming of staff but they also took some video footage of children and the school for promotion of the school and the project.
13. Mary I student teacher JL has begun his placement in the school. He is currently working across all classes and will begin a Senior Infant TP in 4 weeks’ time. I have been inundated with other requests for TP and plan on agreeing to two more this week.
14. TY past pupils SB (Mondays) and LK (Fridays) are on placement up to Christmas.
15. Teachers Report

 As above

1. Parents Report

Parents AGM date to be set. Possible fundraiser for our science equipment through Christmas card sales.

1. A.O.B and Correspondence
2. Date of next meeting

20th November @8 pm