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**Agreed Report from Board of Management Meeting Tuesday 19th March
2024**

Correspondence

SEAI Reporting Annual Energy Use
New Saturday Club Co-ordinator – Ms. Nike Ogun
Staff applications for unpaid leave
Application for parent leave
Applications for Job Sharing Applications (Special Needs Assistants)

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Students

75 students on roll.
2 adult students on placement – one from ATU Sligo and one postgraduate Nurse from Trinity College.
No incidents of bullying amongst students reported.
Transition into this school and transition for school leavers have begun for some students.

Staff

Another SNA has been allocated by the SENO bringing the total number of SNAs to 33. A further class has been allocated for September 2024 bringing the total number of classes to 14. 14 teachers and 35 SNAs.
We wish to propose a vote of sympathy to Shane Goldsberry on the death of his mother Dolores on the 10th February.

Parents

School ipad scheme. The Digital Literacy Committee are interested in proceeding with this scheme for a second year. Year 1 is working well. Total projected cost for 5 iPads (Generation 10), case, connection to JAMF and configuration is €3486.99 plus insurance on first payment only.
We have been nominated to take part in a research project from the NCSE in association with ATU (St. Angela's), Summerhill College and Ransboro N.S. Our theme is Parent Voice.

School Nurse

No update on second school nurse.

Building

Modular building is practically complete.

Work is continuing on outdoor classroom – we got a donation of €6000 so that the building of the physical classroom is secure. This is starting on the 25th March. Work on the hoist in the hall will hopefully happen over the holiday also.

Summer Provision

No update from Department of Education at time of writing. Ciara is willing to be Summer Provision Overseer again.

Health and Safety

Several radiators have been leaking – one bad leak also in the Secretary's office.

Children's Disability Network Service

We have only two Occupational Therapists in Sligo at present and one is going on leave.

Curriculum

1 day closure for Maths' Training on April 22nd (New curriculum).

Parents and Friends Association:

Parents' Association plan to hold an Easter Egg Hunt in the school on the day of the Easter holidays.

Erasmus

6 Staff members went to Estonia on two separate weeks. They will make a presentation to all staff on their experiences.

Training:

Triona held attention autism training for all staff at our last staff meeting

All SNAs received training on Sensory Integration on the 15th March.

Des and I attended training for Chairpersons and Principals hosted by CPSMA.

All bus escorts received training on Buccal Midazolam.

Special Events/Extra Curricular Activities

On Sunday 7th April 2024 in St. Anne's Church Sligo at 2 pm we will celebrate Fr. Carroll being 60 years a priest.

Thank you to the Amber Flag Committee who organised Friendship week, the Creative Committee who organised St. Patrick's Day Parade and Music sessions.

Upcoming Events – Bake Sale 22nd March

Function for Michael Horan last Chairperson – 22nd March

Special Olympics 17th April
Sweet Dreams 25th April – Play in school
Confirmation 26th April at 11 am
Active School Week beginning 29th April

Policies

1. Health and Safety

Principal Meetings from January 30th 2024.

ATU (1), Parents (1), Nurse (2), Builders (10), New parents (3), Oide (1 day), MDT (2), Abbot (1), SNA (5), Chairperson (2), Meeting re Fr. Carroll's celebration (3), NABMSE (2), Leadership team (1), Primary School to visit new student (1), Senior SENO (1), Placement co-ordinator (1), Special Ed Conference Portlaoise (1 day – Saturday), Behaviour Therapist (2), Health and Safety Committee, Bus Escort Meeting (1), Confirmation Meeting (1), NCCA (1 day),

Acronyms

ATU – Atlantic Technological University

MDT – Multidisciplinary Meetings

NABMSE – National Association of Boards of Management in Special Education

NCCA – National Council for Curriculum and Assessment

NEPS – National Educational Psychological Service

Oide – Professional Development and Support Service for teachers

SNAs – Special Needs Assistants