

## **Agreed Report**

### **Board of management**

**14<sup>th</sup> December, 2020**

**Attendance:** well done to Mrs Reynolds' First Class who had the best class attendance for November with a wonderful 99.4% .

The overall school average was 97.1%. These are very impressive attendance levels at this time.

**Policy Development:** The Board ratified the updated Special Needs Policy.

Work is ongoing on the Special Education and Inclusion Policy.

**Continuous Professional Development:** The staff has done courses on numeracy, literacy, Primary Language Curriculum, spelling, Seesaw, and finance over the past month.

**Parent/Teacher Meetings:** these meetings were held by phone this year because of Covid 19 restrictions.

**Expenditure:** Our Wifi system has been upgraded.

6 laptops have been purchased.

Microsoft licences have been purchased for present and future use.

Projector purchased for classroom.

**Proposed Expenditure:** Ancillary readers for use in Junior classes

**School activities:** John Doran and Cathal Dervan of the Kildare hurling team visited the school recently. Kildare was the winner of the Christy Ring All Ireland championship in 2020. The 2 local players brought the trophy to the school grounds to show the children. They answered lots of questions about their sporting life and about the championship.

**Christmas in Scoil Eoin Phóil:** the staff and pupils made a huge effort to decorate the school grounds for the Christmas season. As we cannot have anyone coming into the school because of Covid 19, we decided to bring the Christmas decorations outside so everyone could appreciate them. We had

banners, presents, Santas, snowmen, candy canes, baubles and of course the Advent wreath and our crib. All of the decorations were made by the children and staff. We were delighted to hear the many positive comments from our families and the people of the area for our efforts.

It is not possible to have singing indoors these times but that didn't stop us having our Christmas carols. We just moved the carol singing outdoors to the yard!

As a special treat, the children got to see the pantomime from the Helix which was online this year. The Sword in the Stone was produced by Theatre Worx and the children loved it.

Our Christmas newsletter featuring lots of articles from the children will be emailed to parents on the 21<sup>st</sup> December. This edition and previous editions can be accessed on the website under 'Newsletters'

Our annual Vincent de Paul collection raised €1,000 – thank you to our families for their generosity.

Our annual Open Day featuring performances by each class could not go ahead this year. Instead, each class will produce a short video featuring various activities by the children.

The school marked National Disability Awareness week and flew the purple flag outdoors for the week.

Our Wellbeing Monday continues with the children. The Wellbeing Committee also organised the sending of letters and cards from the children to local nursing homes.

The Student Council continues to meet and it is planning a SEP Christmas FM for the week leading up to the holidays.

The 6<sup>th</sup> class has weekly quizzes on Thursday and Fridays at lunchtime.