

## **RETNS Board of Management Meeting, 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 - Report to the School Community**

**School Development:** Everyone has hopefully seen posters and emails regarding the women's mini-marathon. More than 20 from the RETNS community have already signed-up, but it would be really good to have more. It is a great event and suitable for all levels, so please get involved if you can. The BoM also discussed other fundraising events being planned by the RETNS Development Committee, so keep an eye out for more information.

**Front of School:** We have obtained quotes for an initial improvement to the parking area in front of the school and begun discussions about timetabling the work. The first job will involve completely resurfacing and remarking the area to make it safer.

**School Finances:** The BoM reaffirmed that financing the necessary improvements will require significant funds to be raised over the coming period, given the current financial position.

**ET Second-Level Schools:** The Chairperson has written a further response to the Educate Together national body to press the case that admissions policies should give priority to students of ET primary schools. The policies for the two new schools of relevance to RETNS families are due to be announced soon.

**Student Council Charity:** The BoM approved the Student Council's choice of charity, which is the Dog's Trust.

**ICT Spending:** The BoM discussed plans for improvements to the school's ICT systems to ensure that we obtain the best value for money possible from new ICT grants.

**PE Plan:** The BoM ratified the new PE plan.

**School Policies:** The BoM approved the Administration of Medicines policy and is now beginning a review of the Critical Incident policy.

**Health and Safety:** The school safety assessment and action list has been completed and will shortly be posted on the website.

The BoM also considered some routine matters, which for reasons of confidentiality are not included in this report.

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