

RETNS Board of Management Meeting, 11th December, 2017 - Report to the School Community

Development Committee: Following the success of the Craft Fair, the BoM discussed the need for ongoing work on both fundraising and the identification of priorities for development and maintenance of the school. The Development Committee is central to this plan. Two BoM members (Paul Walsh and Jane Sweetman) will sit on this committee, which plans to meet again in January. Please watch out for emails – volunteers are welcome.

School Finance: The BoM discussed specific plans for further fundraising in 2018. The PA has organised a bag-pack; it was agreed to organise a RETNS mini-marathon team again and it was decided to look for sponsors for next year's school calendar.

Winterfest: The BoM was updated on the sound system. Work has been carried out and the system is working again. Alas, it will need to be paid for in January. Many thanks to those who have donated online. Please donate on the door if you can.

Literacy: The BoM approved the revised school literacy plan.

Special needs class: The BoM discussed a National Council for Special Education request, sent to all schools, to consider the establishment of a special class for children with SEN. It was decided that RETNS does not have the capacity to establish such a class.

Website: The BoM was given a further update on progress to improve the website. A pilot site is presently being tested and will go live early in the New Year. A separate communication will be sent at that stage.

Enrolment: The BoM approved some minor clarifications to the enrolment policy and associated FAQs document. These will be the subject of a further communication in January.

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

And finally, Merry Christmas to all at RETNS.

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