## RETNS Board of Management Meeting, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 Report to the School Community

**Child Protection:** The BoM discussed a draft of the Risk Assessment and Child Safeguarding Statement, which all schools must produce under new child protection guidelines. The statement identifies any risks of harm and outlines procedures that the school has in place to address them. It is designed to ensure that we make RETNS as safe as possible for our children. A final version will be agreed and made available ahead of the next BoM meeting.

**Finance:** The school accounts for 2016/17 were approved and signed. Our financial situation remains tight. There is an ongoing requirement to raise funds.

**Development Committee**: An update was provided on the activity of the Development Committee, which is due to meet on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February. The committee's work is important to the financial wellbeing and future development of RETNS and we are looking for more people to get involved. The meeting is open to all members of the school community so please consider going along if you can.

**School Rental:** RETNS generates income for the school by renting out our facilities out of school hours to a variety of local organisations. The BoM agreed to put in place some new support procedures to assist in this process.

**Policies:** The BoM discussed and approved a new policy on the use of closed-circuit television (CCTV). This will be posted on the website in due course.

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

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