

RETNS Board of Management Meeting – 9th December 2019

New Board: This was the first meeting of the new Board of Management. The composition of the new Board was finalised at the meeting. The members of the new Board are:

John Brosnan	Chairman and Patron Nominee
Guy McGrath	Health and Safety and Maintenance Officer and Patron Nominee
Maeve Mc Carthy	Principal
Ronan Barrett	Recording Secretary and Teacher Nominee
Deirdre Doyle	Policies Officer and Parent Nominee
Paul Walsh	Development Officer and Parent Nominee
Noel Carty	Treasurer and Community Nominee
Jane Sweetman	Development Officer and Community Nominee

Summer Works Application: Unfortunately the Summer Works Grant application was not successful this year. The school had applied for the grant to replace the boiler. The grant application remains active and the Board will continue to seek this grant and others where possible.

Development/Fundraising: The Craft Fair on 1st December raised €6,116. Many thanks to all those who contributed towards this event. The Development Committee are meeting on 12th December to review the fundraising in 2019 and plan for 2020. The next fundraising event is bag packing in Supervalu Churchtown on 27th February – 1st March 2020.

Volunteering: RETNS depends greatly on the school community to volunteer their time and expertise in support of the school. We would like to encourage as many people as possible to be involved in our school. There are opportunities to be involved in the Parents Association, the Development Committee and at scheduled school events.

Creative Schools: Six children from 6th class and our artist-in-residence represented the Creative Schools programme in the Department of Education and Skills on Wednesday 11th December as part of the first Public Service Innovation Week.

School Sports: The Board noted that it has been a good year for sport in the school. 6th class boys and girls played in the National Basketball Arena. The girls' team won their match and returned to RETNS with a plaque. The 6th class soccer team played Rathfarnham NS and have another game scheduled against Kildare Place NS.

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