

## **Agreed Minutes-Board of Management Meeting-16<sup>th</sup> November, 2015**

1. Pupil numbers: there are currently 89 pupils enrolled.
2. Update on Sibling Policy: Educate Together are meeting with the Dept. of Education to discuss this issue. We will keep parents and guardians informed of all updates. We cannot ratify a sibling policy until this issue is resolved.
3. New developing schools are entitled to Posts of Responsibility within their schools. This year we can appoint a Deputy Principal.
4. Immunisations: HSE carried out immunisations on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> November with all Junior Infants.
5. Mindfulness: Carol will do a six week course with Senior Infants. This was a great success last year and we would like to continue doing this throughout the school.
6. Traffic Management: Dublin City Council have been contacted for advice in relation to parking. We enquired about getting a notice for parents to put on dashboards but this was declined.
7. A student from the Salesians College in Cellbridge will do work experience in the school for two weeks (23<sup>rd</sup> November-4<sup>th</sup> December).
8. GAA coaching continues with Senior Infants on a Monday and Claire hopes to do classes with Junior infants in the new term.
9. Maths Week: Maths Week took place during the week of 10<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> October. Each class did a number of additional maths activities and maths trails.
10. World Diabetes Day was celebrated on 14<sup>th</sup> November
11. Diwali, the Festival of Light, took place from 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> November. Tanishka's mum and dad, Subeer and Sohini, visited the four classes to talk about how this festival is celebrated. Thanks also to Jessica for coming in to talk about Thanksgiving and Adam who talked to the children about Hanukkah.
12. Science Week, 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> November: All classes did extra science lessons and experiments throughout the week.
13. Primary Science and Maths Award: This year we will be applying for the primary Science and Maths Award. Maura will co-ordinate the school's participation in this project.
14. Mid-Winter Show: This will take on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. All parents/guardians are welcome.
15. Communication: A communications group will be set up from the board of management and will liaise with the PTA when formed.
16. PTA (parent Teacher Association): The PTA will be formed and the NPC (national Parent's Council) will be asked to facilitate a meeting.
17. Fundraising: A table Quiz will take place on 9<sup>th</sup> December in the Lansdowne Hotel at 8pm
18. Building Update: Shellybanks ETNS are included in the Capital Building Programme and are scheduled to have a new school building in 2017. Parents and guardians will be notified of this great news and a campaign to lobby local public representatives will be undertaken.
19. Shellybanks ETNS Vision Statement: Our whole school community will be involved in formulation of our Vision Statement.

20. Next Board of Management: Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> January.