



Shellybanks Educate Together National School

Agreed Minutes of Shellybanks ETNS Board of Management Meeting 8th October 2018

- The BOM discussed progress on the fire certification issues in the Junior Infant classes. All classes have now returned to their original rooms and any additional works that need to be carried out have been arranged. Fire certification is now in place. Arrangements are being made for staff training around first aid, fire safety etc. The level of support and flexibility shown to staff and parents during this time acknowledged by the BOM.
- The Educate Together AGM will take place on November 10th. A representative from the BOM is hoping to attend.
- The annual school budget has been drawn up and was agreed by the BOM.
- The progress of the new permanent building was discussed. A representative from some government ministers have been contacted and our concerns regarding the delayed timeline, lack of communication and probable objections to the future planning permission were expressed.
- All staff have completed Child protection training this month as part of our annual review.
- We have been given permission to proceed with the first purchase of the Community Gains fund. This drawdown will be for approximately €45,000
- Our application for a traffic warden has been refused because we do not have enough children walking home on their own. DCC was contacted and told that this was the current school procedure, due to the dangers of the road. A review of this procedure will take place and parents views will be sought. If the procedure is changed we will request a follow-up visit from DCC.
- The school has had a visit from the inspectorate in relation to our engagement with the School Self Evaluation Scheme. The school will be working on IT this year. We received some very positive feedback from the inspectorate and the school was praised for the number of different areas which were being developed in the school. A report on the school's plan in relation to IT will be shared with the whole school community later in the year.
- Voluntary Contribution information letters will be distributed this month.
- There will be two teaching practice students in school over the next few weeks.
- Hockey will restart this week.



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- Here is a summary of some recent whole school events:
 - Afterschool clubs have started
 - The weekly assembly has restarted
 - New parent information evenings took place a few weeks back
 - Picnic in the park- all classes enjoyed this trip and we had some parent helpers
 - The Sam Maguire Cup visited the school and the visit went really well
 - Money has been spent on yard decor and this has made the yard very bright and attractive
 - Drama has started for Seniors and 1st- we have had some very positive feedback
 - The staff celebrated International teacher day this month
 - Staff have been working with an IT company to train and set up our new IT equipment
- Upcoming events:
 - Student Council election will take place in the coming weeks
 - Winter Cards-PTA- kids are working on their designs
 - PTA cake sale will take place this Thursday
 - Maths week will be celebrated by the whole school next week
 - All staff will be taking part in Conflict Management training.
 - Vaccinations for Juniors will take place at the start of November
- Review of PTA Constitution: There were a few small suggestions from the BOM Meeting in relation to the Constitution: This is the text that was sent to the PTA:
- Date of next BOM Meeting is November 19th