

Shellybanks ETNS Agreed Board of Management Minutes 20th May 2019

- School calendar circulated among teachers with Aug 29th start date. This will now be sent to all parents and put up on the website.
- The BOM & PTA section of the website have been updated.
- Over all very positive feedback from the whole school music inspection. We received whole school feedback and the teachers received individual feedback. Some recommendations were made and the inspector will be back for a follow up. The report will be available in a few weeks time.
- The school will receive another day of training on the Primary Language curriculum. This will take place in term one of the new school year 2019/2020. The date is to be confirmed, it has been added to the school calendar so parents are aware of it.
- Staff are currently working on the Health & Safety Policy and Dignity in Work Policy.
- A date has been set for the final term fire drill.
- Standardised assessments took place in Senior Infants, First Class and Second Class.
- Assessments also took place in SET to inform allocation.
- Student teacher in First Class, class teacher is present at all times with the student teacher.
- One of the Staff meetings was used for CPD – SET members delivered this training to all staff members. The topics were: Supporting Pupils with Social and Emotional Behavioural Difficulties (SEBD) and EAL Needs. Also the new Literacy Initiative was discussed.
- Teachers also received training for the PLC for writing.
- Temporary Building: No date for the move from the Department, they are aware of our starting back date in August.
- The school will look into organisation of signage for the temporary building.
- The school is looking into getting an independent Health & Safety Officer to check the temporary building.
- Organisation of an open day for parents possibly in September/October, to be decided yet.
- Permanent building: No update since the last meeting.
- Still waiting to hear back from Covanta, Avia and Department of Ed for applications that were sent in to receive funding.
- PTA report. One of the BOM members received the minutes and gave feedback on events ran and upcoming priorities.
 - Play It Forward taking place Sunday 9th June 2019
 - Silent auction instead of raffle
 - Launch the Cookbook on this day, 1 for €12 or 2 for €20
 - Meeting taking place on Thursday 23rd May to discuss the idea of a Walking Bus

- **Recent events**

- Trips out of school

- 1st to 3rd went to an athletics competition

- 3rd Class went to their own athletics competition

- 1st Class went to Milano's, a GAA Blitz in Clanna Gael, Botanical Gardens

- 2nd Classes finished their swimming lessons in April

- In school events

- Autism Awareness day

- Enterprise club Spring Fair took place, the Enterprise & Reading Club children raised a total of €307.91 and donated it to a charity of their choice which was The Rainforest Trust.

- Children from 2nd & 3rd Class presented their Genius Hour presentation to their parents.

- A day of gymnastics, all classes got to have a turn using the equipment with an instructor and their class teacher.

- 1st & 3rd class are receiving 6 weeks of cricket lessons.

- 2nd & 3rd class have just finished their 8 weeks of drama lessons.

- A new literacy initiative has began since we returned from spring break.

- GAA has finished for this year because the instructor has broken his arm.

- **Upcoming events**

- 2nd Class going on a trip to Milltown with Dublin City Council on Thursday to learn about biodiversity, fishing and water quality.

- Heritage in Schools: Each class will have a workshop next week from a Heritage in schools expert. The children will be learning about geology (rocks, soils and fossils) the cost is 1 euro per child.

- 2nd Class will have a dentist visiting their classroom

- Last Class assembly will take place on Friday 24th May

- 2nd Class Communion will take place on Sunday 26th May

- Active Week: Active week will be taking place from the 27th to the 30th of May.
Monday 27th: Yoga & Gymnastics. The school sports day is on Wednesday the 29th. 10 stations: a minimum of 20 parent volunteers. Visit to Herbert Park
Tuesday 28th: parent volunteers also required. Thursday 27th large outdoor games in the yard.

- PDST training for PLC in the area of Oral Language 5th June

- Creative Schools: Blaithin meeting staff 6th June.

- School Tours taking place 4th to 12th June.

- Whole school assembly in Sandymount Green: 14th June

- Inventors Challenge: 17th to 21st June, parents welcome to come in and view the projects.

- Dates for next meeting: Monday 17th June 2019