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## St. Michael's National School Board of Management Agreed Report 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024

- 163 pupils on roll. One pupil short of appointing seventh mainstream for Sept. '25. Possible reduction in ratios in the upcoming budget may have positive impact.
- 17 new junior infants have made a great start to school. 15 sixth class will finish in June.
- A cap on the number of pupils has been placed on our Junior & Senior Infant class. The school will not accept new applicants to the remainder of this school year only.
- Attendance for new school year increased by 1% from last year and currently stands at 92.9%. Attendance measures as part of DEIS planning in place. Parents informed of attendance obligations at start of September.
- Child Protection Oversight Report was brought before the board.
- New anti-Bullying strategy: Cineáltas discussed. New policy to be in place by start of 25/26 school year. Community input and Child Friendly version to be created.
- Ms. Quinn, Ms. Moran and Ms. Bell appointments ratified by the board. Appointment of Anne Molloy Kelleghan as SNA also approved by board.
- Mrs. Weitzman thanked for her contribution to the school as she retires on October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Appointment of Ms. Dermody as Assistant Principal 2 as she takes on the role which will be vacated by Ms. Reilly as she becomes new Deputy Principal.
- Board approved the engagement of the school on social media platforms. Ms. Dermody will
- School support/School Support Plus Review meetings will be held in mid-October. This is because of changes to staff both in mainstream, SET and ASD classes.
- Mrs. Foster supporting EAL pupils this year. School allocated 10 hours by DE.
- Parents Association complemented for their support and input during the Summer Provision. Witches Walk organised for final day of term. Permit being sought currently.
- UNIFLI approved and will be used to complement early literacy and phonological awareness and development in junior classes and SET.
- NEPS planning meeting to be held on Monday next. One pupil assessment carried forward from last year.
- Board informed that another fundraiser is being organised for ASD class pupils. Funds have been used to enable class to attend trips, purchase resources and avail of OT and S&L support.

- Board informed of new activities planned for classes including resilience workshop for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> classes, breadmaking for all classes and a children's rights workshop for senior classes in November to name but a few.
- Architect awaiting costings for new building project from Quantity Surveyor. It is hoped the report, with costings will be submitted to the DE in October.
- An application for new plastic chairs made to DE since return. No response has been received from the DE yet.
- 4:1 vaccination to be administered by HSE staff to junior infant pupils on October 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Board informed of pupil with medical needs. An SNA has been redistributed to support the pupils primary care needs.
- Confirmation (4/3) and Communion (18/5) dates confirmed and placed on Aladdin for parents' convenience.