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St. Michael's National School Board of Management Agreed Report 23rd April 2026

- 168 pupils on roll. DEY staffing schedule released recently which confirms appointment of seventh mainstream class for 26/27.
- Attendance for year stands at 92.5%, an increase of 2.4% on the same period last year. Training for new attendance initiative, *Anseo*, to take place in final term.
- Board ratified new Child Safeguarding Statement and Risk Assessment following review process. Questionnaire results were analysed. New 2025 Procedures now in place.
- Updated Geography and Physical Education policies ratified.
- Teaching and Learning: Board informed of initial improvements in area of informal Irish following support from Oide. *Nath na Seactaine* (Phrase of week) to be added in Sept. 26.
- Class allocations have been completed. Three fixed-term positions to be filled for next academic year, one in SET and two in mainstream. Two job share arrangements agreed.
- Completion of NEPS and Dyslexic assessments by June. 7 pupils assessed in 25/26.
- Reports will be issued to parents, together with class allocations on June 4th/5th.
- Revised SEN and Inclusion Policy ratified. Board informed of progress with DEY's Indicators of Effective Practice. The reason of which is to improve our practices supporting pupils with SEN.
- Increase to SET allocation. 2.5 hours extra to be used at schools' discretion so that existing clusters with Collinstown and Castletown remain.
- New DEIS Plan 26-29 to be presented to the board in end of term meeting. Summary document for parents to view will be created and shared in September '26.
- Reduction in activities by our ASD classes for 26/27 likely due to funding issues.
- As of today, one place is still available in our ASD class for September '26 while there are no pupils on our waiting list.
- Mr. Doyle and STEM group from sixth class congratulated following their Stemtacular success.
- National Parent's Council (NPC) arranged to provide a workshop for incoming junior infant parents on the first day of school in August. Induction evening will be held on June 4th while incoming infants will visit the school that morning.
- Defibrillator training completed for set staff members while all staff will complete First Aid training in early June.

- It was agreed following discussion and analysis of a recent questionnaire that we will return to cold lunches for the 26/27 school year.
- It was agreed that parents will be invited to attend the races at our sports day this year and in the future. Parents will be informed of the date in early June.