



SCOIL GHORMÁIN NAOFA



Agreed report by BOM from Meeting held 11/1/16

- The School Patron, Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, has formally appointed the new Board of Management (2015 – 2019). Mr. Joe O’Shaughnessy has been appointed as Chairperson.
- The Chairperson welcomed the new Board Members and thanked the outgoing Manager for his hard work over the past year.
- The new Board of Management are looking forward to taking on their new roles and to working for the good of the school and in the best interests of the pupils, the parents, the staff and the community which the school serves.
- The Members of the new Board of Management are as follows:
 - Joe O’Shaughnessy, Patron’s Nominee and Chairperson.
 - Lisa Dempsey, Principal.
 - Mary Hearne, Patron’s Nominee
 - Louise Whittle, Teacher’s Nominee
 - Concepta Church, Parent’s Nominee
 - Noel Ivanoff, Parent’s Nominee
 - Niamh Ní Shúilleabhán, Community Representative
 - Seán Halvey, Community Representative
- **Enrolment**
- Enrolment forms have been issued for the new school year 2016/17. The school will hold an enrolment and information evening on Monday the 22nd of February at 7 p.m. Please make new families in the area and those considering Scoil Ghormáin Naofa as an option aware of the date.
- **Parents Association**
- The Board of Management recognises the importance of a Parents Association and supports the establishment of such. To this end, an information evening will take place on Tuesday the 1st March at 7 p.m. in Scoil Ghormáin Naofa, which will be facilitated by the National Parents Council. We would be very grateful if parents could make an effort to attend this meeting and hopefully from this we can elect a committee that is ready and willing to work for the good of the school and to oversee the functions of the Parents Association on behalf of all of us. Refreshments will be served on the evening. The Board of Management looks forward to working with the new Parents Association in the future.
- **1916 Celebrations**
- A flag raising ceremony will take place on Tuesday 15th March at 12 noon. An itinerary will follow through the school closer to the date.

- **School Building**
- A number of light repairs are necessary in the building and these will be addressed in the coming weeks.

- **School Self Evaluation and School Improvement Plan**
- The current areas of focus for school self evaluation and the school improvement plan include Literacy, Numeracy and Physical Education.

- **Peace Proms**
- 3rd Class are participating in the Peace Proms on Saturday 5th March in Kilkenny. The Board of Management wishes the pupils and their teachers the very best of luck in their performance.

- **Fundraising**
- The Board of Management is very grateful to all those who have fundraised in the past for Scoil Ghormáin Naofa and looks forward to many more fundraising events in the future. We are ahead of our repayment targets on our loan and we would like to keep that momentum going as we endeavour to make another early repayment at the end of this year. The Board of Management hopes that parents and the wider school community will support fundraising events in aid of the school in the coming months. The Board of Management approved the following requests for fundraising:
 - Golf Classic
 - Monster Bingo
 - Book Fair

- **Acknowledgements**
- The Board of Management wish to thank Mary and John Kenny for all their hard work over the past number of years as cleaners of the school. To acknowledge their dedication to the school a presentation was made to them on Wednesday 3rd February in the Church.

- The next Board of Management meeting will take place in April.

On behalf of the Board of Management,

Lisa Dempsey,

Secretary to the B.O.M.