

Agreed report to the parents of TPS following Board of Management meeting on January 26th, 2021

Board members: Nuala Mcguinn, Fr Pat Farragher, Brenda Mcgovern, Declan Burke, Selene Fleming, Malachy Molloy, Sean Heneghan, Loraine Burke

- Chairperson Nuala Mcguinn, welcomed the Boards' new community representative Sean Heneghan. Sean, resides in Tuam, is familiar with the school and how it operates and functions. He is excited about the future of TPS and his skillset adds another dynamic dimension to the Board.
- The BOM wished to acknowledge the massive efforts being made by the staff of Trinity Primary School in establishing effective and purposeful engagement with the students during this school closure thus far. The BOM wished to commend the staff on the upskilling which has occurred to establish online platforms such as SEESAW and GOOGLE CLASSROOM. They also wished to applaud the efforts being made to keep the connection between home and school maintained with weekly LIVE social interactions in all classes.
- The BOM were delighted to hear that a team from the Department of Education visited our new school site in December. This team included a department official as well as an architect, quantity surveyor, engineer, and technician. They examined the new site as well as the existing buildings. They explained that their next step is to create a brief formulation document for the new building. The creation of this would allow tendering for a consultant/architect for the new school building. THe BOM agreed it was very important that they apply pressure to have this step commenced as soon as possible.
- The BOM noted the importance of creating an awareness campaign for enrollments for incoming Junior Infants for September 2021 as our Open Night normally held in February each year cannot precede due to current restrictions.
- The BOM were delighted to receive correspondence from the Department of Education and Skills that TPS will open an additional ASD class in September 2021.
 The BOM firmly believes that this class will afford the school the opportunity to offer a structured and developed approach to its ASD provision from Junior Infants to Sixth Class.

• The next Board of Management meeting will take place on March 23rd ,2021.