

Agreed report to the parents of TPS following Board of Management meeting on September 29th, 2021

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

- The Principal and the BOM wish to thank parents for their efforts in preparing their children for the new academic year and for supporting their children to settle so well into school life once again. Since our return to school the continued vigilance in relation to COVID 19 has been remarkable by the entire school community. Our unified approaches and structures have kept COVID cases to an absolute minimum with only two positive cases occurring and in both there was no onward transmission of the virus.
- The BOM ratified an exceptionally progressive plan of action in relation to a strategic investment in our ICT infrastructure over the coming two years at our previous BOM meeting. Hence at this meeting, Ciaran Kenendy, our AP1 Post holder with responsibility for ICT and the implementation of our Digital Learning Strategy detailed the many developments and advances which have been made since TPS opened its doors in 2019. Ciaran Kennedy gave huge insight into the tremendous technological advances which have occurred to ensure TPS has a shared vision in embedding digital communications into our teaching and learning.
- The Principal detailed the positive effect which the newly established walkway to the rear of C1 and C2 was having on the smooth operations of the school. Transitioning between the two campuses was far safer and less time consuming.
- The AISTEAR rooms which were established in each campus during the summer months are now being fully utilised by children from Junior Infants to Second class.
 The massive financial input made by the BOM was clearly evident and the children of TPS are certainly developing both educationally and socially as a result.
- The sustained support for the PDST in relation to the Primary Language Curriculum will commence on October 4th. The staff have already begun collaboration in relation to a two year plan. This consultation process between the staff themselves and PDST will continue throughout the year and Croke Park hours will be utilized to ensure effective and appropriate structures are created.

- The BOM were delighted to hear that TPS have been accepted onto the following innovative initiatives for the 21/22 academic school year
 - -Creative School Project in association with the Arts Council
 - -Erasmus Project in association with Leargas
 - -BLAST project in association with Galway Education Center
- The next Board of Management meeting will take place on November 24th, 2021.