Scoil Ailbhe, Caherelly N.S.

Board of Management Meeting January 9th 2024

Agreed Report

• Enrolment

107 pupils on roll currently.

Open morning was a great success.

Survey of projected enrolments to be carried out.

• Staffing

Two Co-op students will work as teaching assistants from Jan to June as part of their work experience.

A further two students will complete teaching practice in the Junior & Senior infant Class and the other in 3rd and 4th class.

• New Board of Management

Treasurer & assistant treasurer appointed - Matt Ward & Janet Grene

Child first training necessary for all members, information will be emailed to new members.

• Teaching and Learning

Wellbeing is being highlighted as an area of focus this year for both pupils and staff.

STEM - a grant has been awarded to our school on the approval of an application for same. Money awarded will be spent on IT and science equipment and training.

• IT

Disposal of old IT software and hardware is underway.

• Oversight reports

In line with Department of Education regulations, oversight reports are provided to the

BOM at each meeting on Child protection and Bullying reported in the school by DLP

• SSE

Caherelly NS currently working on embedding/reviewing SSE initiatives in literacy,

numeracy and oral language which were implemented by Scoil Ailbhe since 2012 and now being updated in line with the new language and maths curriculum.

School Activities

Cycle right will commence for 5th and 6th classes in an effort to encourage more children to cycle safely.

• Solar Panel scheme

Our school has applied to install solar panels under the scheme.

• Free school Lunches

Hot lunches will be available for pupils from April. The tendering process will see a provider selected under the guidelines.

• Finance

Nov 2023 Audit of Free Book Scheme complete - compliant with guidelines. Thanks to the school secretary for her work on this.

End of year accounts are currently being finalised for submission to FSSU at the end of February. These will be approved at the next meeting.

• Establishment of ASD Class

Approval has been given for 2 classes. The first class will open within the existing building in September of this year. The second class will open when the building is in place. Plans are ongoing with the Board currently working with the Building Section of the DOE to put all infrastructure in place.