

GETNS Agreed BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MINUTES April –June 2016

1.	Child Protection/Anti-Bullying Report – made to BOM by Principal.
2.	Policies: Complaints/Charities – Complaints Procedure policy ratified. Charities policy discussed and amended and ratified.
3.	Closure for CPD New Language Curriculum staff training– Friday 29 th April decided as date for school closure.
4.	Building & Extension – E-Tenders for new extension are available online. Unwarranted delay regarding the application for Fire Cert has delayed progress.
5.	Treasurer’s Report/Accounts/Budget – Budget for the school year 15/16 to be summarised and discussed.
6.	Health and Safety – All CCTV cameras located and recorded. Hall in use by Rugby Tots each Saturday and by the PA on Thursday evenings.
7.	E.T AGM – Motions read, discussed /amended and responded to.
8.	Principal to discuss the combining of the three First Classes with staff
9.	Board to issue Congratulations letter to the Green School Committee on the fantastic success this year and to the staff who won the Discovery Science award with their classes.

Principal’s Report

- Claire O Hara also continues to present a series of 8 meetings with Infant parents who need to put the Forward Together Programme in place with their children. Claire now meets with them every Friday morning and explains the handwriting and phonic lessons they need to do at home with their child.
- The whole school is delighted with the success of the Green Flag application this year. National Water school!! (2000 euro for the school and two lovely glass plaques) Amazing work done by the three teachers, Emma, Caitriona and Laura Kenny and by the Committee.
- We have also won the Discovery Science Award again this year...another Plaque to add to the Wall of Fame! This year the application was led by Laura Kavanagh and Kelly Murphy but the fact that the whole school also had participated in Math’s trails, water experiments and of course, Tom’s class attending the RDS Science Fair, ensured we got a plaque rather than a certificate!
- All staff working on the SESE plan, being led by teacher Tom.
- The SENO will be approving one more SNA position of at least .75 of a post.
- Congrats to teacher Julie who can now be offered a permanent post.
- We have one post that just falls short of the required 25 hours and we will have to cluster with a teacher from another school to complete this post.
- Swimming is proceeding this term with Katie’s First Class and some 5th class students.
- Standardised testing of English and Maths will be carried out this week, starting on the 24th May.
- Board to approve the Health and Safety Policy/ Statement.
- Our 2 year pilot scheme of yoga and dance classes has come to an end, very successful.
- A CD has been made available (one hour long) of the school events of 1916

- The new server is being installed today and we are hoping to install Clicker Seven to the whole school.
- A parent who works with MensShed has informed me that they have a 'buddybench' waiting for our approval. 6th class will sponsor this for the yard through their Jumble Sale profits!
- The decision re the First Classes amalgamation has been discussed with parents and will be progressed.
- Templecarrig have offered us their grounds for our two Sports Days....9th and 10th June. This will save some of the costs of those days.
- Caitriona's basketball team have been playing matches with other Educate Together schools. Gorey are due to visit us on Friday.