



## Scoil Phroinsias Naofa

### Board of Management Annual Report School Year 2014-2015

#### **A new Board of Management for the 2015-2019 term was formed in November 2015.**

Chairperson	–	Fr. Pádraig Keenan
Treasurer	–	Mr. Joe Corcoran
Secretary	–	Ms. Oreena Lawless
Teacher Rep	–	Mrs. Elaine O'Rourke
Parent Reps	–	Sinéad Dullaghan Robert Cosgrove
Community Reps	–	John Horan Brenda Magee

*We thank the outgoing Board members Declan Carroll Eileen Jallali-Murphy, and Anthony Kieran for their commitment and contributions during their 4 year term.*

#### **School Inspection**

St. Francis NS had an incidental inspection from Inspector Rita Nic Amhlaoihb on 11-9-2014. She reported satisfaction with the teaching and learning in the school.

#### **Curricular Development**

**School Self Evaluation:** St. Francis NS is currently working on improvement plans for Numeracy and Literacy. See our school website for further information.

#### **School Planning**

St. Francis NS whole School Plan for English & Literacy has been completely revised in line with our School Self Evaluation Improvement Plan for Literacy.

#### **School Ethos**

**St. Francis Day** annual school mass was celebrated on Friday October 3rd by Fr. Keenan.

During the year various prayer services and the sacrament of reconciliation were held.

**First Communion** was received by 2nd Class pupils on 23-05-2015.

**Confirmation** for 6th Class pupils was held on 04-03-2015.

**Diocesan Advisor**, Sr. Tarcisius visited us in February.

#### **Policy Development**

Child Protection; Enrolment & Admissions; Supervision; Composite Classes; Parental Involvement; Substance Abuse; Acceptable ICT Usage; Accidents and Emergencies; Healthy Eating, Mission Statement; Mobile Phones & Electronic Games; Equality, Access & participation; Garda Vetting, Parent/Staff Communication; Homework; Use of School Premises, Fire Drill & Evacuation; Critical Incident; Health & Safety.

*Thanks to all the members of the school community who assisted in this ongoing work or contributed in any way.*

#### **The Board congratulates staff and pupils on the following achievements:**

**Graduation:** Congratulations to the class of 2007-2015 who are the first ever graduates of St. Francis NS. We wish you all well.

**Basketball Teams:** Participation in the Libby Dynamites Schools' Basketball Tournament.

**Choir:** Participation in Peace Proms, Seinn, Carol Singing and other school events during the year.

**Gaelic Teams:** Participation in Cumann na mBunscol competitions.

**Green School Committee:** Helping the School Community achieve a 3 Star GROW award from Louth Co. Council.

**Eco -Tribe** Mini-Woodland Garden in Blackrock Park - 2nd place.

**Maith Sibh Uile:** All pupils who represented the school in Feis Mhuirtheimhne, Feis Dhún Dealgan, Debates, Quizzes, Dancing, Cultural, Sporting and Business events throughout the year.

#### **Staffing 2014-2015**

New Teacher: Debbie Lundy (5th & 6th class)

#### **Parents' Association**

Thanks to all involved for supporting our school. Strictly Come Dancing raised €5000 to complete the classroom network of computers. The Kube raised €2000 from which we gratefully received some wonderful new PE equipment.