

## **Agreed Report from Board of Management Meeting September 14<sup>th</sup> 2020**

- The Anti-Bullying Policy was reviewed and ratified by the Board. The review was conducted in accordance with the checklist set out in Appendix 4 of the Department's Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools.
- The Child Safeguarding Statement was reviewed and ratified by the Board. The review was conducted in accordance with the "Checklist for Review of the Child Safeguarding Statement" published on the Department's [www.education.ie](http://www.education.ie).
- The Statement of Strategy for School Attendance was reviewed and ratified by the Board.
- Mr Tansley thanked all the school staff for their dedication and commitment to the school since returning after the summer holidays. All staff are working longer hours to ensure the health and safety of the children. The children are adapting very well to the new regime in school. They are sanitising their hands regularly and are adapting to the new "normal".
- Mr Tansley outlined to the Board the cleaning regime in the school. Our caretaker works for two hours every morning and two hours after school and our new cleaner works from 12.40pm to 1.40pm daily.
- Our shared resource teacher Mrs Cooke will be teaching one day a week for the majority of the school year. Nicola O' Boyle is our Special Needs Assistant. The Board wished them both well in their time in Rathfeigh.
- The First Communion took place for Third class pupils on September 12<sup>th</sup> at Rathfeigh Church. It was cancelled earlier in the year due to the coronavirus pandemic. Mr Tansley thanked all the staff, Parents' Association and community for their collaborative efforts in making the event so special for the children. A special thanks to Ms Reynolds for preparing the class so well, Mrs Vaughan/Mrs Campbell for the displays, Helen for preparing the Mass Booklet, Lisa for the excellent piano playing, Parents' Association for decorating the Church grounds and Fr Thomas for celebrating the beautiful ceremony.
- The Board agreed for the return of football and rugby coaching. Football coaching will be for all classes (Juniors to 6<sup>th</sup>) and rugby coaching for 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>. The coaching will begin the week beginning September 21<sup>st</sup>. Coaching will take place outdoors weather permitting. If the weather is not conducive to outdoor training then the session will be cancelled.

Coaches will be wearing masks. The children will be sanitising their hands regularly during the sessions. Equipment will be sanitised after each session.

- Date for next Board Meeting – October 19<sup>th</sup> 2020.

Máire Kennedy (18/9/20)

Chairperson Board of Management