

St David's BOM meeting: Wednesday 13th September 2023

Rev Canon Craig McCauley, Louise Gillespie (LoG), Kelly Delaney (KD), Sue Dempsey (SD), Leslie Greene (LeG), Linda Greene (LG), Eoin Fitzgerald (EF) and Caroline Donegan (CD)

1.	Welcome Rev Canon Craig McCauley opened in prayer.	
2.	Apologies: SD, EF, CD, LG send apologies.	
3.	Approval of minutes Last meeting: 22 nd June Rev Canon Craig read and signed the minutes from the previous minutes.	
4.	Matters Arising N/A	
5.	Chairpersons Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Congratulations to Ms Vivienne Rankin on the arrival of baby Seth. - Interviews: Naomi has joined the school staff and has settled in well. Our SNA allocation was reviewed. We got increased to 2.88 SNA hours. - When the SENO came, she noticed there was space for special class. LoG outlined the benefits and grants. - Rev Canon Craig McCauley thanks the BOM for the use of school. Used during the summer, going to be used for youth groups for October/ November. Rev Canon Craig McCauley apologised for boards written on etc. Rev Canon Craig McCauley	
6.	<u>Principal Report</u> Staff <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Junior/Senior- Ms. Delaney 2. 1st/ 2nd – Mrs. Wallace 3. 3rd/ 4th – Ms. Forrest 4. 5th / 6th – Ms. Gillespie 5. SNAs- Ms. Halpin and Ms. Holt 6. Secretary- Miriam Tomkins 7. SET- Mrs. Hickey and we have not filled the second position. Interviews due to be held. 8. SENO allocated an increase an 1.33hrs per day for SNA. We will have 2 SNAs from 8.55-2.30 and 1 SNA from 8.55-1.30. 9. The Staff Seniority List has been updated and placed in the staffroom. 10. Congratulations to Ms. Naomi Forrest on her appointment to St. David's where she will work towards completing the Droichead process. 	

	<p>Curriculum</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. New Math Curriculum guidelines released to schools. Implementation will begin September 2024 but training will be provided during this academic year for all staff. 12. We have now applied to be a Droichead school and Mrs Hickey and Ms Delaney will engage with the mentor training to allow the school engage with the process. 13. Mark and Zoe have returned for Religion lessons every Tuesday, for all classes. 14. Playball for the Junior end of the school for 7 weeks until Hallowe'en. 15. Music Generation for all classes from 27th September. Junior pupils will complete a 10 week block of Early Introduction to music. Senior classes will complete for the year – 3rd/4th learning ukulele and 5th/6th learning violin. 16. Swimming lessons will continue this year for all classes. 17. We have been approved by the DES to teach Spanish from 3rd to 6th class for term 1. Beginning 25th of September for 8 weeks. 18. SSE/SIP area for this coming year is oral Irish and wellbeing. Whole school community was surveyed in relation to this. 19. Luke Hawkins, the School Chaplain at Wilson's Hospital School and the Diocese Youth Officer has offered to complete a harvest assembly with all local schools. He will visit on Friday 15th September. <p>Child Protection/Bullying</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 20. Principal Child Protection Oversight Report attached. No referral to Tusla. 21. No bullying incidents to report. <p>Health and Safety/School building</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 22. School yard was painted by Top Markings with a Snakes and Ladders board, Hop Scotch and Adventure Trail 23. MAC alarms came to school on 30th August to service school alarm. 24. Sensory Room has been redesigned and updated. Black-Out blinds installed along with lava lamps, sensory lighting, interactive station and sensory floor tiles. 25. Fire alarm practise drill- Being organised for late September/ Early October. <p>Louise Gillespie</p>	
9.	<p>Child Protection LoG showed new 2023 Child Safeguarding guidelines. Policies/documents to be sent out before meetings going forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child safe guarding risk assessment (completed prior to the meeting and signed by Rev Canon Craig McCauley) 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Child safe guarding statement (completed prior to the meeting and signed by Rev Canon Craig McCauley)• CSS review checklist completed prior to the meeting and signed by Rev Canon Craig McCauley)•	
12.	Rev Canon Craig McCauley wishes to thank the outgoing board.	