

Agreed report from Board of Management Meeting 16th June @ 2pm (Zoom)

Present: Bill Reidy, Eoin Kennedy, Frances O'Mahony, Elaine Linehan, Canon Jim O'Donovan, Humphrey Moynihan, Paula Burke.

Apologies: John Sheehan.

Single –Item Agenda: Opening of an ASD Special Class in Scoil Bhríde, Eglantine.

1. The Board of Management met in response to a request from the NCSE that an ASD Special Class would be opened in Eglantine and be ready by September 2020.

-The Board agreed that the opening of this special class would be in keeping with the mission statement of the school and would help to meet the “significant unmet demand” (NCSE) of the children with special educational needs in the local area.

-To be eligible for a place in the special class, a child (girls only) would have to have a diagnosis of ASD and a recommendation that a special setting would be more suitable for her needs.

-The principal has been in contact with the NCSE and the SENO and will receive further support to oversee the procedural paperwork and ensure that the appropriate infrastructure and training for personnel will be put in place for this special class.

-A Special Class of 6 children will require 1 teacher and 2 SNA's.

-Section 4 of the school's current Admission's Policy will be amended to include the ASD Special Class which will be referred to as “Aoibhneas”.

-The Board unanimously agreed to accede to the request of the NCSE to open an ASD Special Class within the school.

Chairperson closed meeting at this point.