

Board of Management

Report – 25 June 2020

This was the first meeting since March 12th held at the school under social distancing rules. There was a full attendance.

Correspondence considered included DES Circular 41/2020 'Arrangements for Inspection & School Self-Evaluation for the 2020/21 School Year'; Australian Boarding School Checklist; Report to Government 12 June 2020, 'Planning for re-opening schools in line with the Roadmap for Reopening Society & Business'.

Correspondence was received from the DES accepting the school proposal for repayment of teacher salary grants. The first instalment of the payment was approved to proceed.

The Chairperson extended thanks to school management and staff for all the work done during the school closure including the summer tests, reports and Leaving Certificate grading.

Summer works approved include Covid 19 safety related facilities; tarmacadamming of Library Car Park; repair of South Wing flat roof; replacing a heating boiler and completion of hockey pitch landscaping.

Further recommendations on recovery of costs for the cancelled Art Tour to Italy were agreed.

The Principal's report referred to plans for the summer awards ceremony, the work involved in the Calculated Grades procedure and outline planning for school reopening. Arrangements for boarding remain most urgent and specific advice has been secured for that. Quarantine arrangements for international boarders in August are being prepared. Further instructions from the Department are awaited.

The Child Protection Report was concluded and there were no matters to report.

Enrolment figures for the new school year were reported and staff appointments approved. Two positions remained to be filled in the near future.

The next meeting will be held on August 18th.