

# St Felim's National School



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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The following is the agreed report of the Board of Management following a meeting on 18 June 2025.

- The following reports were presented to the board:
  - A Child Protection Oversight Report
  - A Treasurer's Report
  - A Principal's Report
  
- The Board of Management ratified the following policies:
  - PLC Irish Policy
  - PLC English Policy
  - Digital Learning Plan 25.26
  - RSE Policy – will be published on the website in the coming days.
  - SPHE Policy
  - Data Retention Policy
  - Health & Safety Annual Review
  - Bí Cineálta Policy, which will be published on the school website in the coming days. The board thanks the school community for their feedback during the consultation process.
  
- The board wishes to inform the school community of the following:
  - Our Clár application under Measure 1 Developing Community Facilities and Amenities has progressed to National Level.
  - Róisín McDonnell, Katie Roache and Úna McCormill will be on approved leave for the duration of next year. Sinéad Farrelly & Lisa Sharkey will be on approved leave for Term One. The board is currently engaged in a recruitment process for three teachers.
  - Mrs Tara Kelly & Mrs Martina Smyth will continue their job share arrangement next year as will our SNA's Mrs Julie Phillips and Mrs Sinéad Fleming.
  - The board will be applying for funding for Hot Meals in 2025.2026.
  - The Digital Strategy grant was issued to schools since the last meeting. A new Smart board was installed in the Senior Infant Classroom.
  - The board agreed to extend the three-year policy cycle to five years. This is to allow the board and the school to implement and embed the forthcoming changes to the Primary School Curriculum.
  - Our SNA allocation remains the same for the forthcoming school year 25.26.

### Acknowledgements & Congratulations:

- The board congratulates the Sixth Class pupils who graduated on Wednesday 18 June and wish them every success in the years ahead. A special word of thanks to the ten families leaving our school for the final time.
- The board acknowledges the work of the members of the outgoing student council. The council have been involved in a project with the Parents Association to purchase some playground resources for the school. The Parents Association hope to have these in place for the new school year.

- The board is grateful to Sinead and Michael Murray for generously sponsoring a new set of GAA goalposts for the school.
- The board extends its thanks to the In School Leadership Team- Eilís Keegan, Patrice Clarke, Valerie Donohoe and Tara Kelly for their dedication and steady leadership throughout the year. We acknowledge the teaching staff, SNAs and Mrs Brady for their hard work, dedication and commitment to the children in St. Felim's over the past year.
- A special word of thanks to our wonderful caretaker, William Byrne, who has kept the school looking so well this year. Thanks too to our school cleaner Pauline Farrelly who does a great job keeping our school clean and welcoming. Thanks also to Jacinta Woods who ensures every child has a Hot Meal every day. The board of management are very grateful for all your hard work and quiet dedication.
- We would like to congratulate all the children who represented the school this year. Your achievements have made us very proud and are a credit to your hard work and commitment.
- The Board is grateful to the Parents' Association for their support and hard work in support of the school. The children have really benefitted from the fantastic work you do throughout the year. We would like to recognise and thank all our parents and guardians for their co-operation and support in 23.24.
- We'd like to say a special goodbye to Ms. Martha Reilly, who has been with us for the past 18 months. She has been a valuable member of our team and a great asset to the school. We thank her for her contribution and wish her all the very best in the future. A special thanks and farewell to Ms Noeleen Kelly for her leadership of the school choir at Communion and graduation.
- The school will close on Friday June 20 for the summer. The school reopens for pupils on Tuesday, August 26.
- The next meeting of the board will be in September/October.
- The board extends its condolences to two of its members- Pdraig Sheridan on the loss of his mother Maureen and Catriona Clarke on the loss of her mother Kitty. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha.
- Finally, the Board extends its heartfelt congratulations to Mrs. Valerie Donohoe on the occasion of her retirement. We send our very best wishes for continued health and happiness in the years ahead. We are deeply grateful for her thirty-five years of faithful and dedicated service to the children of The Vale. Mrs. Donohoe leaves behind a lasting legacy of warmth, kindness, and professionalism. She will be greatly missed by the school community.

Yours sincerely,  
Eilís Keegan  
Secretary to B.O.M