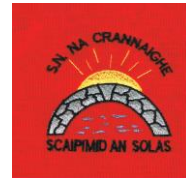


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## Board of Management – Annual Report 2021



The Board of Management is the school committee charged with the day-to-day management of the school. Under the Education Act of 1998 all schools must have a Board of Management and the functions and responsibilities of the Board are laid out in documents published by the Department of Education and Science.

The Board of Management has eight members. The current Board of Management, as formed in December 2019 are as follows:

<b>Board of Management 2020/2021</b>	
Chairperson	Róisín O'Connor
Treasurer	Sheila Meaney
Secretary	Edel McMahon
Patron Representative	Fr. Albert McDonnell
Teacher Representative	Patricia Cunningham
Parent Representatives	Declan Casey Noel McMahon
Community Representative	Susan King

The Board of Management met on 4 occasions during the school year 2020/2021.

### **Policy Reviews**

The following policies were reviewed and amended as necessary:

- COVID-19 Policy Statement
- COVID-19 Response Plan
- Child Safeguarding Statement Review
- Internet Acceptable Usage Policy
- Remote Teaching and Learning Plan
- Respect and Dignity in our Work Policy
- Equity & Gender Equity Policy
- Protected Disclosures Policy
- Parental Complaints Procedure
- Fire and Evacuation Policy

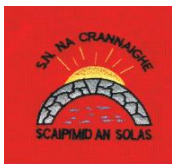
### **School Ethos**

Cranny National School is co-educational National School under the patronage of the Diocese of Killaloe. Our staff, in conjunction with the church upholds the ethos. Catholic Schools Week was celebrated during remote learning amongst the school community.

### **School Events and Projects**

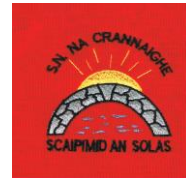
It was a busy year in Cranny National School and some of the events included:

- Maths Week
- Science Week
- Seachtain na Gaeilge
- Catholic Schools Week
- Christmas Shoebox Appeal
- Weekly Wellness Classes
- Yoga lessons
- GAA Skills Development Course
- Storytelling & Puppetry workshop
- Halloween dress-up/fun day
- Agri-kids farm safety webinars
- iPad loan from Clare Education Centre
- Christmas activities/nativity/virtual visit from Santa



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### Staff Training/CPD

- The Board of Management: Exploring Effective Practices
- SeeSaw for Infant Teachers
- SeeSaw for Beginners
- PDST: Learning for All Webinars x3
- IPPN/INTO: Reopening Schools Webinar
- Preparing for Teaching and Learning
- Appointment Procedures: Training for Principals

### Health, Safety and Child Protection

At each board meeting a report is presented in relation to these matters. All teachers, substitute teachers and external coaches have all completed the vetting process. The Designated Liaison Person is Edel McMahon. The Deputy Designated Liaison Person is Patricia Cunningham. They are legally obliged to refer all Child Protection concerns to TUSLA.

### Board Finances

The financial management of our school is conducted in strict compliance with the Department of Education and Skills requirements.

At each Board of Management meeting the treasurer outlines a report on school finances. These are documented in the meeting minutes.

### Staffing

Edel McMahon: Principal and Mainstream Class Teacher in the Junior Room.

Patricia Cunningham: Deputy Principal and Class Teacher in the Senior Room

Arlene McMahon: Special Education Teacher shared between Cranny NS and Labasheeda NS.

### Parent Teacher Meetings

Parent Teacher Meetings took place via phone call in April 2021

### Minor Works

New basketball/football markings along with game markings were put down in our school yard.

Exterior of the school was painted in August.

New signage was put in place on the front gable of the school and new 'Main Entrance' sign at the door.

### Standardised Test Results

The principal reports the results of the standardised tests in 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class to the Board of Management at the end of each year. These results are also reported to the Department of Education through the POD system.

As a staff we are very happy with the progress that are pupils are making and we are very proud of how diligently they work throughout the year.

### TUSLA Reporting on Pupil Attendance

The school completed all mandatory reports to Tusla regarding pupil attendance and we will complete the End of Year report at the end of June.