



Principal's report to the board of management - January 2018

The secretary gave an outline of some of the events that have recently taken place in the school or were scheduled to take place shortly.

- Our 4th Year students went on Careers trip to LYIT for a taster day on Thursday 18th January. Thanks to Mr White and Ms Summerville for organising this.
- Charity Fundraising - The school helped to raise over €1700 for Michael Mc Grath, a former teacher in the school who is receiving medical treatment.
- The principal congratulated the students and staff for their fantastic success in the Christmas Variety Concert which took place on the 14th, 15th and 16th December. The show was very well received by the community and showcased the incredible talent in the school. He thanked Mr Byrne, Ms Mc Cafferty and Ms Treanor for all their efforts. He also thanked the wider school community.
- The school's annual Christmas Party took place on 22nd December in Jackson's Hotel. Thanks to Ms Boland and her PLC groups for all their organising and fund-raising in relation to the event.
- Ms Mc Geehan with the help of a number of 4th Year students has opened a School Bank. Thanks to all of those who got involved in the initiative.
- The school's annual Junior Enterprise competition will be taking place on the 23rd January. This year's theme will be safety.
- The school continues to be involved in the Business in the Community Schools Programme. Our 4th Year Kavanagh group are involved this year. Ms Ward and Sadie Kelly, SCP coordinator, are coordinating the event.
- Ms McGeehan, teacher representative on the Parents' Association has organised an Internet Safety Information session for parents on Thursday 31st January. There will also be an Internet safety Talk for 1st Years on the same day.
- The principal noted that the school had received an increased allocation in the School Meals Programme and that concerns raised by the school regarding the Service Level Agreement had been addressed by the Department of Social Protection. The school would now be signing the SLA.

- The principal advised that there are still S&S difficulties as it is very difficult to secure registered substitute teachers to provide cover for colleagues.
- The mock exams and LCVP work placements are happening on the week commencing 5th February.
- Ms Boland will be taking the European Tour group away on Friday 23rd March for four nights to Lake Garda. The principal thanked Ms Boland and the teachers who are both fund-raising and giving up their time for the students.