

# Scoil Naomh Treasa

## Board of Management

### Annual Report 2023-2024



#### Board of Management

Chairperson:	Joseph Collins
Treasurer:	Vincent Murray
Secretary:	Aidan Mc Loughlin
Teacher Nominee:	Martina Swinburne
Parent Nominees:	Victor Murphy Pamela Howard
Community Nominee:	Joan Coyle
Patron Nominee:	Fr. Mark English

#### School Ethos

Grow in Love religious programme taught throughout the school, daily prayers, classes visited regularly throughout the year by our parish priest, celebrated St Therese on 1<sup>st</sup> October with school mass, celebrated Catholic School's week January 2024, memorial tree in school hall November 2024, names of Grandparents on footprints around school, Grandparents' day June 7<sup>th</sup> 2024, Confirmation Feb 2024, First Confession April 2024, First Holy Communion May 2024, support for various charities throughout the year

#### School Improvements

Deep clean of the school over summer break  
New interactive flat panels purchased and installed in every classroom  
New set of iPads purchased and integrated into lessons  
Trees, briars and shrubs cut back and grass areas maintained  
Fire alarm system serviced quarterly by Masterfire  
Fire extinguisher annual service - November  
Gutters repaired and cleaned  
Introduction of Hot School Meals programme  
Launch of new school crest/logo  
Grant secured to build new boundary wall  
New picnic benches (donated by Bellewstown Racecourse)  
New basketball backboards  
New storytime benches and teachers chair  
Outdoor sockets installed at front and rear of school

#### Staffing

Aidan Mc Loughlin	Principal, SET
Elaine Light	Deputy Principal, 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Class
Martina Swinburne	APII, Junior/Senior Infants
Michelle Breen	5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Class
Gillian O'Mara	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Class
Bernie Dillon	SNA
Sinéad Pentony	SNA
Miriam Callan	Secretary
Jason Fanthorpe	Cleaner / Caretaker

Shared SET post with Duleek Girls N.S. had various substitute teachers during the year.

The Board of Management would like to acknowledge the tremendous work, contribution and dedication of the staff for this school year.

#### Policy Development

Child Protection Policy updated and annual checklist complete  
Anti-Bullying Policy updated and annual checklist complete  
Critical Incident Policy  
Visitors Policy  
Admissions Policy and Admissions Notice  
Religious Education  
Parental Complaints Procedure

#### Curricular Development

Continuous Professional Development and In-Service completed on new Primary Maths Curriculum by all Staff  
In Service completed on the Primary Curriculum Framework  
PPLI Say Yes To Languages – 8 weeks Irish Sign Language lessons for 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Class  
Swimming lessons Jan/Feb 2024 – 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Class  
Modern Dance lessons Jan/Feb 2024 – Infants & 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>  
GAA training (Sept/Oct)  
Rugby Training (Nov)

Soccer Training (Jan/Feb)  
Irish Dancing (Feb/March)  
Athletics (May)  
Basketball (May/June)  
Gymnastics (Active Week)  
Karate (Active Week)  
Orienteering (Active Week)  
Boxercise and Flexibility (Active Week)  
The school celebrated Maths Week, Science Week, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Wellness Week and Active Week  
Anti Bullying poster campaign  
Visit from Helen Mc Entee – Minister for Justice  
Music Generation – violin lessons 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> class with a final performance with The Glas Quartet  
Farm Safety webinars and talk by Agri Aware

### School Events and Achievements

Participated in Cumann na mbunscoil girls and boys GAA tournaments  
Basketball tournament  
Athletics cross country  
St Therese school mass  
Sports Day – June 2024  
3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Class School Tour – Clara Lara  
Junior/Senior Infants/1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> School Tour – Causey Farm  
1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Class Trip to Ashbourne Library  
1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Class trip to Bounce and Beyond  
6<sup>th</sup> class trip – Emerald Park  
Whole school trip to Elmgrove farm in aid of Irish Cancer Society  
New Junior Infant Induction Day – June 2024  
Internet Safety Day – Visit from Community Garda  
Internet and Online Safety Talk for pupils, parents and staff – Zeeko – Oct 2023  
Reading buddies – Infants and 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> class  
World Book Day  
Book Fair – March 2024  
Student teacher in 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Class during Term 1  
Student teacher in Infants room during term 2  
Christmas Concert - Nativity and Carols  
Goal Jersey Day  
Successful gaining a place on STEAM Meath programme (combining Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Maths) involving 3 year programme in based on First Lego League with equipment fully sponsored

### Parents' Association

The Board of Management expresses its greatest thanks and appreciation to our Parents' Association for all their efforts all year including:  
Decoration of school for Halloween  
Halloween goody bags for the children  
Monster Christmas raffle  
Facilitation of School Lotto  
Refreshments for First Holy Communion  
Gifts for Confirmation Class  
Gifts for First Holy Communion Class  
Gifts for 6<sup>th</sup> class Graduation  
Refreshments for 6<sup>th</sup> Class Graduation  
Refreshments for Grandparents Day  
Easter Egg Hunt  
Sponsorship of buses for school tours  
Sponsorship of Ice Cream Van for Sports Day  
Successful applications to Meath Co Council for grants through Carranstown Community Grant scheme

### Community Links

Communication with parents via Aladdin Connect notifications, email, text, phone call and regular newsletters  
Parent teacher meetings – November 2023 and February 2024 (Infants)  
Junior Infant Induction Day – June 2024  
Reports issued June 2024  
School website and class blogs updated regularly  
Twitter page updated with school events  
External noticeboard updated throughout the year  
Parents invited to attend Lego Showcase Day  
Parents and community invited to attend sports day  
Grandparents day including launch of new school logo  
Meetings and emails with Parents Council

School will re-open on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2024