



Darver NS

Agreed Report

Date of Board Meeting: 17/4/2024

Ethos Matters:

- 6th Class received the sacrament of Confirmation on 15th March. All pupils were so well prepared and reverend on the day. Well done and thank you to Mrs. O'Hare for all of her hard work in preparing the pupils for Confirmation.
- Our school choir sang the Confirmation mass and continue to sing at the Do This In Memory masses that take place in St. Michael's Church, Darver. Feedback from parents/community members on our choir has been so positive and we are so proud of them! Another big well done to Mrs. O'Hare for all of her hard work with the school choir this year. Also a big thank you to Ms. Litchfield and Elaine Hearty for their assistance with the choir on Confirmation day.
- First Holy Communion takes place on Saturday 11th May at 11.00am.
- The NET team continue to work with 5th/6th class each week until the end of May. Fr. Gerry is hoping to have another NET team in place next year to continue on the wonderful work started this year.

School Self-Evaluation (SSE) Update:

- Peer assessment in use in each class.
- Grandparents day was a great success and was received very positively by all involved. We will continue this next year.
- Wellbeing week took place 19th-22nd March was also a great success. Cookery lessons were a very nice experience for all pupils and we will continue this next year.
- School garden - Haggardstown Garden Centre to carry out a site visit and assist us in planning our school garden. We hope to have this up and running over the next 4 weeks.
- Still to come this year - Sports Day, Exhibition Project, Yard markings/games, School name sign - powder coated.
- Dates for our Sports Day and Exhibition Project will be shared with parents once they are finalised in the coming weeks.
- Painting of the external school building (basketball court side) is postponed until next year with the hopes for it to be tied into minor building works.

Parents' Association

- PA Quiz Night took place on Friday 9th February in Cluskey's Pub and raised €1240. This fundraiser was going towards funding our school garden.
- Marathon Relay takes place on Friday 17th May - involves all pupils collectively running the distance of a marathon in relay format. Funds raised to go towards yard markings and powder coating of school sign.
- PA Flag Day takes place on Saturday 25th May - Funds raised to go towards the purchasing of a chromebook trolley.
- Thank you to all of the PA Committee members and volunteers who work so hard for the betterment of our school.

Ardee Credit Union Donation:

- We were very lucky to receive a generous donation of €3000 from Ardee Credit Union earlier this year. Following staff meetings and Board of Management discussion the funds will be added to the surplus balance of the Flag Day funds from May 2023 and will go towards the purchasing of a set of 15 Chromebooks which will be used in all classes in the school. The Board would like to extend their sincere gratitude to Niall Laverty and the Board of Ardee Credit Union for this very kind donation.

Upcoming School Closures:

- School closes at 12.30pm on Monday 20th May for Primary Language Curriculum in-school sustained support.
- School closes at 12.30pm on Thursday 30th May for scheduled staff meeting.
- School closes at 12.30pm on Friday 21st June for the summer holidays.


Minor Works:

- Hedging planted to close the hole in the hedge on the church side and to secure the perimeter at the top right hand side of the big pitch.

School Tours:

- Buses to be paid for by cake sale held by 5th/6th - date to be decided.
- Infants & 1st/2nd - Thurs 6th June
- 3rd/4th - Friday 14th June
- 5th/6th - Thurs 13th June

School Calendar 2024/25:

- Our school calendar for 2024/25 has now been finalised and ratified by the Board of Management. Please see the link attached below:
-  Darver NS School Calendar 2024-25.pdf