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# **Doolin NS**



# **Board of Management - Annual Report 2014**

### **Board of Management**

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#### School Ethos

Our school aims to promote the full and harmonious development of all pupils, cognitive, intellectual, physical & cultural moral & spiritual.

We promote a Christian philosophy of life. We endeavor to foster the Catholic faith in the school community.

Children in Second Class received the Sacraments of Reconciliation & Eucharist during this academic year. Children in Fifth & Sixth Class received the sacrament of Confirmation on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

# **Building Works**

Some minor damage was done to the school during the winter storms. Thankfully this was quickly rectified. During the summer break the outside of the school will be painted hopefully!

#### **Staffing**

We are sad to see Mrs. Howley leave us this year but we wish her all the best in her retirement. We welcome our new teacher, Mr. Donnellan, & we hope he will be very happy in Doolin N.S.

## **Fundraising**

Our fundraising efforts were very successful this year! Your help with this is very much appreciated. It is becoming increasingly difficult to cover running costs so fundraising is becoming a necessity.

O'Connors Pub Collection Sept 2013 €2586, Supervalu Ennistymon : Bag Packing 01/11/13 €1188 O' Connors Night of Music & Dance 22/11/14 €1745 Christmas Cards €387

Christmas Draw € 1773

Total: €7679

#### **Parents**

A big thank you to all the parents who have helped out throughout the year!

Without your help we could not provide all the different activities that go on during the school year.

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated by all.

### **Policy & Plan Development**

Plans & Policies that have been reviewed and ratified are available on the school website – doolinns.com. Draft policies are also available on website.

Anti – Bullying policy & Child Protection Policy are reviewed during the first term of each academic year.

#### **School Events**

It was another busy & enjoyable year in Doolin NS!

- Each child participated in Irish Dancing lessons during the first term with Helen Greene.
- All classes attended swimming lessons during the school year.
- First Sixth Class engaged in Computer lessons during the year. Thanks to Sheila!
- Each class had football sessions with John Enright early in the school year.
- Garda Deirdre Scanlan visited the school & discussed cyber bullying in with the senior classes.
- Children from 4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> Class participated in the Credit Union Quiz. Congrats to all involved!
- Congratulations to all involved in the Green Schools
   Committee. We are delighted that the school received its second Green Flag. This time the theme was energy.
- Well done to all who participated in The Write a Book Project & The Discovery Science Project.
- Parent teacher meetings were held on the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> of December.
- The school choir gave beautiful performances at masses & events throughout the year. Well done!
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb The Coast Guard visited the school & gave an excellent presentation. Thank you to the volunteers for giving their time to inform us about the incredible work they do.
- Street Smart (RSA) On 25<sup>th</sup> February the whole school participated in this very worthwhile road safety initiative.
- March 21<sup>st</sup> Ennistymon Fire Brigade visited the school & spoke to the children about Fire Safety & Awareness.
- As part of Book Week 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> visited the Library & met with Aidan Courtney – Illustrator.
- The Girls & Boys in 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> enjoyed the 5 a side soccer blitz at Lees Road on April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> class enjoyed a sea shore safari with on Dr. Noirín Burke on May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Thanks to Donal Harrington for visiting the school & giving an excellent presentation on IT.
- Children in all classes enjoyed a day out on their school tours during the month!
- Thanks to Peter Casey for showing all the children hurling / camogie skills during this term.
- Well done to the boys & girls who participated in football matches during the year.

Many other events took place throughout the year. All of which were organised by the staff of Doolin N.S. A big thank you to all concerned for their untiring commitment.

The school will reopen on August 29<sup>th</sup>.