



Agreed Community Report
Board of Management Meeting Tuesday the 3rd of February 2026.
A meeting of the Board of Management of Piper's Hill College

Welcome

The Chairperson, Ms. Sarah Barry, opened the meeting and welcomed all members. The Principal, Mr. Tom McDonald, presented his report on school activities, policies, and progress.

Teaching and Learning

The Board discussed ongoing initiatives to support teaching and learning across the school.

- The Board received a presentation from the DEIS Coordinator in relation to our new DEIS plan and the associated initiatives. The board commended the school's dedication to being inclusive and supportive to all students in its care.

School Development and Buildings

- The Principal updated the Board on ongoing engagement with the Department of Education (DES) Buildings Section regarding the provision of special classes. Further updates will be provided as progress continues.

Staffing and Enrolment

- A strong turn out at the school's incoming first year assessment morning on Saturday the 25th of January. The principal spoke to parents of incoming students.
- Appointments: one new AP1 appointment resulting in an AP2 being created to be advertised soon.

Policy Review

The Board is currently reviewing and developing several key policies, including:

- The DEIS Plan
- Child Protection 2025 Guidelines

These policies aim to ensure that the school continues to provide a safe, supportive, and well-managed environment for all.



Wellbeing, Behaviour and Safety

- The Board received an update on student wellbeing, suspensions, and bullying prevention measures.
- The Child Protection Oversight Board was presented to the Board.

Financial Overview

- An update on school finances was presented, showing that income and expenditure are being carefully managed.

Principal Report

- A detailed Principals report of all the activities and events in the school was presented to the Board.

Acknowledgements

- The board commended the school for its hard work and dedication to the school self evaluation process and DEIS planning.

Next Meeting

- The next meeting of the Board of Management will take place on Monday the 11th of May 2026.

Summary

- Pipers Hill College continues to thrive academically and socially. The Board commends the dedication of staff and students in maintaining high standards of learning and wellbeing. Continuous planning for curriculum development, policy review, and school improvement remains a key focus as the school moves forward.

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