BOM Agreed Report

BoM meeting of Ardscoil na Tríonóide was held on Tuesday 22nd Apr. 2026

Attendance/Apologies: Apologies noted.

1. **Opening Prayer** – An opening prayer commenced the meeting.
2. **Minutes of last meeting** - Minutes of previous meetings were agreed and adopted.
3. **Correspondence** - All correspondence was discussed by the Board including recent circulars.
4. **Child Protection -** The Child Protection Oversight Report was presented to the Board.
5. **Bí Cineálta/Anti-Bullying** – The Appendix V Report on Bullying Behaviour along with a verbal report was presented to the Board.
6. **Allocations** – The Principal updated the Board on the Schedule of Allocation of Teaching Posts for 2026-27 and projected enrolment.
7. **Employment Matters** – The Board discussed employment matters including requests for Career Breaks, Job Share and various personal leaves.
8. **Curriculum** – The Board reviewed and discussed upcoming curriculum changes including:
    - Change in subject specification and timetabling of LCVP which is now called Life, Community and Work. LCW will be timetabled for students who are exempt from Irish in fifth year. It will not be available to other students due to timetable constraints.
    - Leaving Certificate Applied Work Experience in fifth year will be timetabled as block placements. LCA1 will be timetabled to be in school Monday to Friday.
9. **Principal's Report** – The Principal gave an outline of all activities in the school since the last BoM meeting to include details of:
    - Condolences were extended to the family of Pat Webster.
    - Congratulations were extended to our Junior and Senior Girls Rugby Teams who both reached the Bank of Ireland Leinster Finals – the highest possible level.
    - Congratulations were extended to our Junior Boys Rugby Team who were successful in the recent final against Gorey.
    - Congratulations were extended to our 6th year student Daniel Henry and staff member Mr. Conan Dunne who were on the successful Athy Rugby Squad – successful winners of the Provincial Towns Cup Final.
    - Congratulations to Erica Nolan, Lucy Grogan and Leah Foley on their wins at the World Irish Dancing Championships over the Easter break.
    - Well done to David Catrinescu (2nd Year) who came 2nd in the European Jiu Jitsu IBJJF Championship 2026 representing Ireland recently – a super achievement.
    - Lent was marked throughout the school with various displays, reflections on the intercom, activities in Religion classes and Friday mass for Junior year groups.
    - Congratulations to James Mannion and Sam Whelan for taking part and winning the National Italian Competition for the 2nd Year category.
    - We welcomed 39 Italian students and their teachers who visited the school for a day in April.
    - New windows and doors were installed in the courtyards of four social areas and new exit doors in Room 54 and 33.
    - Our First Year students are taking park in our new 'House Point System', which commenced at the start of this last term.
    - Thank you to Derek O'Driscoll for organising the Second Year tour to Germany and to Paul Quinn for organising the TY Tour to Italy. Both tours were a great success. Thank you to all travelling teachers who gave of their time to travel with and supervise our students.

- Seachtain na Gaeilge was celebrated throughout the school with many events including a Pop Up Gaeltacht, Bricfeasta as Gaeilge 6ú Bliain, Tráth na gCeist, Fograí an Lae, Céilí agus Scoláireachtai Gaeltachta.
- Our Trad group visited Athy Library with Mr. Dempsey as part of an inter-generational music event designed to bridge the gap between different age groups in our community.
- Well done to Mr. Dempsey and the Woodwork Department who organised a 3 day visit of the Mount Lucas apprenticeship training rig.
- Thank you to the Parent's Council for their trojan work recently in organising the Parent's Council Easter Raffle raising over €4000 between student tickets and tickets sold in Athy on a weekend in March.
- Well done to our Second Year students and their Tutors who participated in this year's attendance drive. Improved attendance remains one of our main goals, in line with the national attendance drive from the Department of Education, *Every School Day Counts*. Well done to the 2E class who were the overall winners.
- Congratulations to our TY Musical cast and team on winning awards for Best Costume and Best Promotion of a Show for the production of the musical Grease.
- Daffodil Day was recognised and supported in school with over €1000 raised. Thank you to Jacinta Walsh for organising with staff and students.
- Junior Cycle Home Economics Practicals, LC Music performance & LC Orals exams have successfully taken place.
- The Junior Cycle class of 2025 received their Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement.
- The Principal provided the Board with a long list of activities that have taken place since the last Board meeting to include: TY Talent Show, Kildare TY Enterprise Awards, YSI Keep Safe Event, TY Fitness Challenge, Walking Tour of Athy, Eisht Emotional Self Defence Workshops, guest speakers from the Irish Naval Service, Junior Girls Football, Novice Individuals & Interschools Show Jumping, Girls Soccer Regional Final, First Year Boys Rugby, First Year Boys Football, 3rd & 5th Year Business students took part in the Bank of Ireland Quiz 2026 as part of the Money Smarts Programme, 5th year Geographical Investigation/Field Study and the TY Boys Soccer

10. **Health & Safety Report** – The Principal presented an update on Health and Safety in the school.

The Board send their best wishes to all students preparing for their summer and State Exams.