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The Board of Management
St. Luke's National School
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Chairperson: Mr. Stephen Spillane
Principal: Mr. Eddie Pepper

Dear Teachers, Parents, Pupils and all associated with St. Luke's NS,

Please find below the annual Report of the Board of Management of St. Luke's for the 2023/24 school year.

Board Members (New Board):	Chairperson – Stephen Spillane Treasurer – Jacinta Jordan Secretary – Eddie Pepper Teacher Nominee – Máire Kelly Parent Nominee – Kevin O'Rourke Parent Nominee – Gemma Hayes Community/Patron Nominee – Jer O'Sullivan Community/Patron Nominee – Rev. Meghan Farr
School Plan:	The Aims and Values of our school have been updated and published to the school website after consultation with children, staff and board of management. The English Plan is being updated by staff. The Maths and Gaelge Plans are scheduled for review in the 2024/25 school year. The board will look at other aspects of the school plan in 2024/25 also. Once a decision is made the board will communicate with the school community.
Policy Development:	Thanks to all the school community who contributed to the development/review of the following school policies throughout the year: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Child Protection• Student Council• Code of Behaviour• Child Protection• Fire and Evacuation• Whistleblowing• Antibullying• Safeguarding Statement and Risk Assessment• Substance Use• School Uniform• Electronic Banking• Admin of Medicine• Staff Leave• Class Split

School Ethos:	<p>Rev. Meghan Farr continues to come to school for weekly assemblies.</p> <p>Peter Stobart continues to come weekly for choir and singing.</p> <p>The Bishop celebrated his 25 anniversary and visited the school in June 2024. An oak sapling was planted in a pot in the yard and will be maintained along with the olive tree previously planted.</p>
Curricular Development:	<p>The English plan is under review and is being developed.</p> <p>The Gaeilge and Maths plans are scheduled for review next year.</p> <p>Maths curriculum training is ongoing for staff with another school closure scheduled for 8th October 2024.</p> <p>Say Yes to Languages application was successful and the programme will be delivered to children from 3rd to 6th in term 2 of 2024/25.</p>
Staffing:	<p>Principal – Mr. Eddie Pepper Deputy Principal – Ms. Siobhán Kelleher AP2 Postholder – Ms. Máire Kelly</p> <p>Other Teaching Staff: Ms. Claire O’Mahony, Ms. Cecilia McLoughlin, Mr. Ciarán Brady.</p> <p>SNA Staff: Ms. Karen Allsopp, Mr. Tariq Joyce, Ms. Fionnuala Fitzpatrick.</p> <p>Secretary: Ms. Dorene McGuirk</p> <p>Cleaner/Maintenance: Mr. Dean Murphy</p> <p>Ms. Niamh Coughlan has resigned her teaching post in St. Luke’s. A new teacher will be appointed to the role and will be announced early in the summer. We would like to sincerely thank Ms. Coughlan for all her hard work, contributions and dedication to St. Luke’s over the years and wish her the very best in the future.</p> <p>The board would like to congratulate Mr. Brady on his successful application to DCU to partake in a Diploma course in Autism. This is a fantastic achievement considering only 19 places were available on the course countrywide. We wish Mr. Brady the very best of luck with his studies and look forward to the expertise gained and shared amongst the school staff as a result.</p> <p>Class Allocation is as follows for 2024/25: Infants – Ms. Claire O’Mahony 1st and 2nd – Ms. Cecilia McLoughlin 3rd and 4th – Ms. Máire Kelly 5th and 6th – Mr. Eddie Pepper</p>

	Special Class – Mr. Ciarán Brady SET – Ms. Siobhán Kelleher and TBA
Parents Association:	<p>The Board thanks the PA for their incredible work throughout the year.</p> <p>STEM resources and Maths resources have been upgraded and PE equipment and storage will be looked at during the summer months.</p> <p>The entire parent body continues to be a great asset to the school and we are very grateful for your contributions to St. Luke's.</p>
School Committees:	<p>The Board congratulates all committees for their work and contributions throughout the year.</p> <p>Special congratulations to the Amber Flag Committee for being awarded the flag.</p> <p>We wish the Green Schools committee the best of luck in their pursuit of the programme next year.</p> <p>Well done to the student council for an incredible year of fundraising and improvements in the school.</p>

Sincerely,

Stephen Spillans
Chairperson

Eddie Pepper
Principal