

# Board of Management

S.N. Naomh Treasa    Cashel    County Galway



## Board of Management Meeting - Agreed Report

24 November, 2025

*As members of the Board of Management (BOM), our main function is to manage the school on behalf of the patron, for the benefit of the students and to provide an appropriate education for each student at the school. After each of our Board of Management (BOM) Meetings, we share an Agreed Report that highlights the content of the meeting so that you are better informed about our work.*

### Members of our BOM:

Fr. Krzysztof Sikora	Patron Representative
Connie Garling-Squire	Chair
Flora Joyce	Parent Representative
Oliver Joyce	Parent Representative
Lesley Emin	Treasurer/Community Rep
Polly Joyce	**New Community Representative**
Eithne Ni Chonghaile	Deputy Principal/Staff Representative
Jacqueline Harty	Principal & Secretary

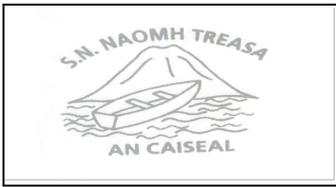
### Welcome

We are pleased to welcome a new member to our Board of Management. **Polly Joyce** joins us as a Community Representative. Polly brings a wealth of experience as a Nurse Manager, along with a strong background in the arts and theatre and deep connections within the local community. We are especially delighted to note that she was once a student here at St. Treasa's herself. **Welcome, Polly!**

We also extend our heartfelt gratitude to **Suzanne Lindfield** for her dedicated service on the Board. We are deeply appreciative of the time she devoted to this role, as well as her thoughtful insights and her genuine care for our students and our school. We thank Suzanne sincerely for her contribution to the life of our community.

### Review of previous Meeting Minutes & Correspondence

Members of the Board of Management have been actively advocating for the reestablishment of the Hot Meals Program for our students. We are committed to engaging with our elected representatives, the Minister of Education, and other schools in the same situation as we work toward restoring this essential service.



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## School Priorities Updates

We have seven (7) priority areas for development, progress and reporting for the 2025-26 school year.

- **Teaching, Learning & Curriculum**

- The students are very busy preparing for the Christmas Panto presented on 10 December, 6:00 p.m.
- Team teaching and curriculum planning for literacy and maths continue to be the focus. Collaboration in the classrooms and support from our outstanding SNAs enhance learning and create many pathways for learning.

- **Wellbeing & School Ethos**

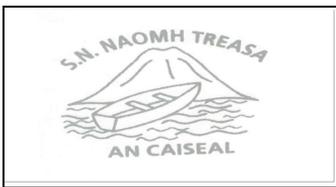
- We have scheduled a Parent Meeting for the 12 January, 2026 our topic will be our Code of Behaviour and Anti-Bullying information. This event will be in the early evening. Families are invited to attend with childcare available and a light dinner provided! More details to follow.
- We heard an overview of the Deis plan, which requires ongoing school improvement planning. Staff have aligned curriculum planning and updates with this plan and are pleased with the progress so far.

- **Buildings, Facilities & Environment**

- We are delighted to share that our school has received an exceptionally generous private donation to support our preparations for the upcoming storm season. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to **Patrick Ridge**, a native of Cashel whose father once attended our school. Thanks to Patrick's remarkable kindness, we are now able to purchase and install a permanent generator. This important addition will help ensure that teaching and learning can continue uninterrupted in the event of electrical outages or other emergency situations. We are deeply grateful for this meaningful contribution to the safety and resilience of our school community.

- **Community & Parental Engagement**

- Great thanks to Board of Management members **Flora, Ollie, and Polly**, as well as to all of the additional volunteers, for their ongoing work in cleaning and organizing our classrooms, libraries, and wider school environment. Their efforts have brought new life to our building. You will notice a warm and welcoming atmosphere as you enter the school, including newly installed shelving that ensures our materials and supplies are neatly stored and easily accessible. Each classroom is now equipped with an age-appropriate and visually inviting library space for our students to explore and enjoy.



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- Students were asked what kinds of books they would want added to the libraries. A wish list is being developed and will be shared!
- Our **Parent Association** continues to be successful fundraisers! Thanks for the efforts in support of the bottle return, and the 50/50. Next up is the highly anticipated raffle at the Panto! Always a joy!
  
- **Finance & Fundraising**
  - Look for a survey coming from school to get your feedback about the financial support we ask of our parents for school activities, needs, and events.
  
- **Governance & Compliance**
  - Oversight Report and Anti Bullying report was presented.
  - New Child Protection guidelines, staff training, and reporting information is being rolled out this year.
  - We continue our review of school policies throughout the year.
  
- **Extra-Curricular & Enrichment/Sustainability**
  - Our students have had some great experiences including a dance workshop at Interface and a great day at a Rugby Blitz.
  
- **Agreed Report** was discussed.