



## Athenry Primary School

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### **LIFE IS BETTER WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER**

#### **Board of Management Agreed Report**

**February 2026**

The Board of Management met recently to discuss a range of school matters and to support the ongoing work of the school community.

#### **Special Education Provision**

The Board discussed correspondence received from the National Council for Special Education regarding the potential establishment of an additional special class. The Board considered the current accommodation challenges within the school and noted ongoing engagement with the Department of Education in relation to accommodation needs following recent amalgamation and enrolment growth. The Board agreed to continue discussions with relevant agencies regarding future provision, subject to appropriate accommodation and supports being available.

#### **Appointment**

Assistant Principal I (AP1) interviews were held on 11 February for the position of SENCO. Following the interview process, **Karen Hennessy** is being proposed for appointment to the role, subject to ratification procedures.

#### **Child Protection**

The Board reviewed the Child Protection Oversight Report and confirmed that the Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools are being fully implemented in the school. The Board noted upcoming child protection training scheduled for members and the requirement to adopt updated procedures by December 2026.

#### **Bí Cineálta / Anti-Bullying**

The Board reviewed the Bí Cineálta oversight report and confirmed that the Bí Cineálta Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools are being fully implemented in the school.

#### **General**

The Board acknowledged the continued work and commitment of staff, pupils, and parents in supporting teaching and learning across the school.

*Stiofán Ó Mearáin*  
20/02/2026.