



BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF JOHN SCOTTUS SECONDARY SCHOOL

Board of Management Agreed Report March 3rd 2016

The Board of Management met for their **3rd meeting** of the school year on **March 3rd 2016**.

The Principal reported on the successful Philosophy week. The theme of Philosophy week was "Know Thyself: Do as you say, and say what you mean, with kindness". Special thanks were given to all teachers involved. A new Enquiry group has been set in the school to investigate the underlying philosophical principles of John Scottus and to formulate a philosophy theme for each week.

Our TY students organised a brilliant Battle of the Bands competition at the Grand Social on January 23rd in order to raise much needed funds for their teaching project in India. The trip to India was very successful and the English education outreach program "Ripple Down Ripple Out" was a great success with all students having a fantastic time. Our fifth and sixth year Classical Studies and Latin students went to Rome for the mid-term and enjoyed the history and culture of this famous city. The Stolen Child musical was an amazing production which highlighted the great artistic talent in the school.

An overview was provided of the plan to review a number of policies in the next few months with the Admissions policy being approved at this meeting. The TY sub-committee is continuing its review of TY and the appointment of TY Co-ordinator is expected in early April. The school is developing an energy management team in conjunction with the SEAI. The Art Mosaic created by our students depicting the school ethos now hangs in the front hall and is testament to the creative talent and efforts of all our students. A dedicated meditation room is now being created in the school as a place for students to become still and discover their deeper self.

The Bursar presented the financial forecast for the current year which is expected to be a small surplus. The enrolment figures for September 2016 were also presented. There has been considerable number of enquiries and at least one class of 24 is expected.