



## Rosenallis NS

### Board of Management – Annual Report 2017-2018



#### Board of Management 2017/2018

Chairperson	Fr. T. Walshe PP
Patron's Nominee	Kathleen Murphy
Secretary (Principal)	Jackie Hyland
Teacher Nominee	Gemma Goulding
Parents Nominee	Carol McGrath (Treasurer) Brendan Glancy
Community Reps	Geraldine Dunne Ann O'Riordan

#### Policy Development

Policies worked on and reviewed by the BOM this year include Child Safe Guarding, Positive Behaviour, Anti-Bullying, SPHE, RSE, Swimming, Tours, Cumann na mBunscol, Data Protection, Duty of Care, Garda Vetting, Work Experience. In school procedures were reviewed regularly throughout the year.

#### School Ethos

We are an inclusive Catholic School in the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin. In co-operation with the clergy and parents children were prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. The whole school attended mass on Feast days. There are regular Prayer Services in the school. A Christmas Carol Service was held in December 2017.

#### Curricular Development

We continue to engage with the new Curriculum in English and Irish which is now mandatory for Junior Infants to 2<sup>nd</sup> Class. A new policy and model for Special Education Needs (SEN) was introduced

#### Summer Works/Buildings

New teaching laptops and I-Pads were purchased with government funding and money from the Parents Association. A new shed was installed at the side of the school to store furniture. Repairs were carried out to our heating system.

#### Parents' Association

Thank you to our PA for their amazing support during this year. Over €4000 was given to the school for I-Pads, Parent Talks, buses to matches. Their contribution to this school is invaluable and well deserving of your support.

#### Staffing

For 2018/2019 we will have 1 teaching Principal and 4 Class Teachers based in this school. We will have a shared SEN teacher between ourselves and Derrylamogue. We have 2 full time SNAs. We have a part-time secretary, cleaner & caretaker. Our current enrolment is 96. The BOM would like to acknowledge and thank all of our staff for their hard work and dedication.

**Parent Teacher Meetings** were held in Feb. 2018

#### A Whole School Evaluation

A WSE of our school was held in Nov 2017 and the BOM were happy to accept the report as given. Areas for improvement were highlighted and will continue to be worked on.



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#### School Achievements & Events

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Class won a prize in The Heritage in the school Competition. The boys won their football Cumann na mBunscol final and the girls won the Cumann na mBunscol Camogie. Our school received a Science Award. We take part in GAA coaching and music lessons. We took part in the Artists-in-School programme with 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. We celebrated World Book Day, Maths week and Seachtain na Gaeilge. We are currently working on our Green School Flag.

#### Communication

This report is issued in line with the requirements of the education Act. It provides additional information that has already been provided to parents via texts, various newsletters, the school website [www.rosenallisn.com](http://www.rosenallisn.com). The Parents' Association also has a face book page.

#### Child Protection

Designated liaison person: Jackie Hyland  
Deputy DLP: Adrian Reynolds  
Our Policy is available on request, at the front door or on our website.

#### Mission Statement

Rosenallis National School is a school which strives to provide a well – ordered, caring, happy and secure learning environment, where the intellectual, spiritual, physical, moral and cultural needs of our pupils are identified and addressed.

Rosenallis National School is a Roman Catholic National School under the patronage of the Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin. It also gives due recognition to children of all other religious beliefs and none.

We aim to provide an appropriate, stimulating and broadly challenging education for all of our pupils in line with the current regulations and curriculum from the Department of Education and Skills.

Rosenallis NS encourages the involvement of parents through home-school contacts and through the involvement of the Parents' Association.

At Rosenallis National School we endeavour to enhance the self-esteem of everyone in the school community, to imbue in the pupils respect for themselves, for other people and for property. We aim to prepare our pupils for their place in a modern multicultural society by actively promoting equality and celebrating diversity. We encourage respect for our environment and community.

We strive to promote, both individually and collectively, the professional and personal development of teachers through staff development programmes.

*"Where there is no vision people perish"*

(Book of Proverbs)

**In concluding our Annual Report for 2017-2018** the Board of Management wishes to acknowledge the Commitment of staff, the support of parents/guardians, and the enthusiastic co-operation of the pupils who work together to make the school a happy place to learn.