



Scoil Mhuire agus Íde

School Improvement Plan 2018/19

End of Year Report

In the school year 2019/20 work will continue from the school year 2018/19. A number of new initiatives were planned during the school year 2019/20. Areas such as Digital Technology, Wellbeing, Literacy and Numeracy and Student Personal Reflection will have planning teams in place and will start their planning in these areas. Further work will also be carried out for the planning of school building work designed to significantly enhance the capacity of the school building.

Digital Technology

As per the stated aims in the Vision Statement in this area in 2018/19, school wide WIFI has been installed. All teachers are now using Gsuite for education and subject planning as well as a facility for sharing work with students. By the end of this school year all first year student have now been supplied with their Gsuite accounts, all other students have had their accounts set up but will be supplied with the relevant details at the beginning of the new school year. This will allow students to access work and homework from outside school and will also give a further mechanism for teachers and students to communicate.

For the first time in 2018/19 SMI competed in the Dell VEX robotics programme. TY students built, programmed and controlled their own robot in a competitive environment. This programme will be extended in 2019/20 when a second robot will be purchased.

Chromebooks in two trolleys have been purchased. These will be used by teachers in their classroom to bring Digital Technology to their lessons and also aid formative assessment practices as well as the use of Digital Portfolios.

Accommodation

SMI is currently in the final stages of a planning application to build four new classrooms at the schools own expense. During this year the school also communicated with the DES in relation the enlarged enrollment in the coming years. The DES has agreed that the schools long term enrollment is 750 and have started to plan for the building extension required for this projected enrollment. This planning will continue into the next school year.



A container has been installed beside the Construction Studies room to allow for the storage required for projects. This is required due the enhanced numbers studying Materials Tech Wood and Construction Studies. The ground works under the container have been completed so that a project storage room can be built in the near future.

The car parking spaces that were created in summer 2018 will be permanently surfaced in the near future.

Code of Behaviour

The Code of Behaviour review will continue in the 2019/20 school year with the student council and parents body being consulted. The results of this three part consultation will form the basis of a newly redrafted Code of Behaviour.

School Self Evaluation:

Four new teams have been created by volunteering teachers and these teams will use their planning time to create SSE plans in their four areas, These plans will be implemented over the next four year period in line also with the Digital Learning Framework.

Communication – Link to Parents

Parent being able to log into Vsware to select the subject options of their son/daughter was delayed for a year to allow for further training in this area in 2018/19. Subject selection was also complicated in 5th year this year due to continued integration of European Languages into the option bands. This facility will be enabled in 2019/20 for all first and fifth year students.

Areas of Possible development in 2019/20

Further training and use of the VLE (Virtual Learning Environment)(Google Gsuite)

Implementation of Digital Portfolios

Possible Extension of Breaktimes to facilitate students

Development of the Forbairt programme into a full SSE initiative.

Extension of the VEX robotics programme.

Building Applications

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