

Minutes of Board of Management Meeting

21st of January 2026

Foghlaim agus Sonas

Cratloe National School is a coeducational Catholic primary school. It endeavours to provide an education which strives to nurture the child in all dimensions of their life. It seeks to do so in a caring, learning community where children can live full lives as unique individuals, are prepared to avail of further education and so contribute as adults to the good of society.

Present at the meeting: Susan Frawley, Mary Frost, Michelle Keyes, Matthew White, Fr Tony Mullins, Jennifer Curtin, Sinead Keenan

Apologies: Kieran Hughes

Opening Prayer

- Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted
- Matters Arising:
 1. Susan informed the meeting that the Admission Policy had been amended to reflect the correct wording

Principal's Report

21st of January 2026

Calendar of Events

November 2025		
Monday 3 rd of Nov	Launch of Family Day at the greyhound Stadium Fundraiser	
Tuesday	Swimming 5 th and 6 th class	
Wednesday	Choir 9.30 to 10.30	
Thursday	Swimming 6 th Science Show SMB	4 th classes
Friday	Mass	2 nd class
Monday 10 th	Gymnastics PA Christmas Jumper Swap	Marisa and Sinead's classes
Wednesday	Horse riding Liskenneth	Sinead and Marisa classes

Thursday 13 th	Croke Park hour with Richard Egan re SET circular	Staff
Friday	Mass	3 rd class
Monday 17 th	Gymnastics	Marisa and Sinead's classes
Wednesday	Choir Immunisations for Junior Infants Ian Reading Recovery Parent Teacher meetings 2.30 finish for pupils	
Thursday	Parish meeting in hall re future 7.30pm	
Friday	Mass 10am	4 th
Monday 24 th	Road safety Fairtrade Winners Presentation in City Hall at 2.30pm First Holy Communion meeting 8pm Gymnastics	All classes Parents Marisa and Sinead's classes
Tuesday	Road Safety	All classes
Wednesday	Ian reading recovery Choir	
Thursday	Intro to Relate Document Croke Park Hour 3.15pm	Staff
Friday	Mass	5 th
Sunday 30 th	Family Friendly Race Day Fundraiser	
December 2025		
Thursday 4 th of December	Jumble Sale	
Friday	Jumble Sale	
Monday 8 th	Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass PA Meeting at 8pm	2 nd to 6 th
Tuesday	Choir 12-1pm	

Wednesday 10 th	School closed for Inservice on Child Protection	Every employee
Thursday	Choir Novas Fundraiser in Crescent Shopping Centre	4 th to 5 th 6 th only Choir and Grupa Ceoil
Friday	Christmas Concert Matinee	All classes
Saturday	Staff Night Out in Cornstore	
Monday 15 th	Santa Claus	
Tuesday 16 th	Confessions 9.20 Choir Visit to Cratloe Nursing Home by Grupa Ceoil at 2pm School Concert pm,6.45pm, 7.30pm	3 rd to 6 th class 11.30 to 12.30
Wednesday	Novas Collection of hats scarves gloves for adults Grupa Ceoil in Two Mile Inn and Carrigoran	
Thursday	Carol Service 11.30 Parish Carol Service 7pm	All classes Open invite
Friday 19 th	Secret Santa 9am Lunch in JP Clarkes at 1pm Holidays 12.30pm	

1. There was no report made to Tusla
2. There was no incidence of bullying in the school since the last meeting
3. We have a lovely but busy run up to Christmas; Santa Claus visit, Carol Singing for Novas, Carol Singing in the Nursing Homes, Carol Service in the Church, Christmas Nativity Play
4. The Family Night at the Greyhound Track fund Raiser was a great success and raised €8140 towards the floors
5. Very successful Jumble Sale Fund Raiser that raised €4,400 half went to Medicins sans frontier and half for the flooring in the school
6. We are nearly there with the hot lunches, we expect to start in 2 weeks time
7. Three new children enrolled after Christmas
8. The current enrolment is 279 pupils, we have lost pupils mainly due to losing a large 6th class, and this is going to happen again this year. As a result we will lose a class teacher in September 2026 going from 12 classes to 11 classes
9. At the moment, intake for September into Junior Infants is 29 pupils. Closing date is 28th of February 2026.

10. Staff had our inservice on Child Protection on Wednesday 10th of December, There are new Child Protection Guidelines which the Board will have to formally adopt by December 2026. Inservice for BoM members is available Inn at Dromoland is 24th of March 6pm to 8pm, other venue, dates available

Treasurer's Report: The certified accounts only came from Caroline Kelly yesterday, Matt had a look at them and was happy. It was decided at the meeting that Susan should send them on to all members and await approval from all members before Mary and Matt sign off on them. The Board commended Siobhan O Gorman's work in getting the accounts ready for the accountant.

Update on SNU building and Velux windows

The snag list is being completed by Finbar, he is waiting on the designs for the soft matting area.

Morgan Mc Donagh was in the school with a man from Velux windows last week but Susan has heard nothing from him

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Next BoM meeting on Wednesday 25th of March 2026 at 6.45pm.

