

St Patrick's NS, Slane School Self Evaluation Report

Introduction

A school self evaluation of teaching and learning in St Patrick's NS, Slane was undertaken during the school year 2015-2016. During the evaluation teaching and learning in the following curricular areas were evaluated.

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Gaeilge

The following sources of evidence were used to compile the findings of this report:

- Individual teacher reviews of practice in Literacy and Numeracy.
- Staff ratings of school plans
- Pupils work – samples, copies, displays.
- The SEN (Special Educational Needs) team observations.
- Parental questionnaires (Gaeilge and WSE)
- Pupil questionnaires – (second to sixth class Gaeilge and fourth and sixth class WSE)
- The school strategic planning framework.
- Whole School Evaluation report October 2014

This is a report on the findings of the evaluation.

The School Context.

- Patron: Bishop Michael Smyth, Catholic Bishop of Meath
BOM: inc. Chairperson Rev. Joseph Deegan, Principal Paul O'Donnell
Staff: 10 class teachers, 3 SEN teachers and an SNA.
Pupils: 276 pupils, 143 boys and 133 girls, from junior infants to sixth class
School Logo: Our school logo depicts the fire on the Hill of Slane with the words "Coinnigh an Solas ar Lasadh" – 'Keep The Light Burning'.
Website: www.slanens.ie
School Growth: Our school community has grown enormously in recent years- from 139 pupils in 2003 to the current level of 276.
Awards: We have 6 Green Flag Awards, FÍS Film Award 2015, Pride of Place School Gardening Level 3 Award 2015, RHS School Gardening Level 5 Award 2015, Scoilnet School Website Star Award 2009, Active School Flag 2014, Digital School of Distinction Award 2015, Credit Union Primary School Quiz Local Winners 2013, 2014, 2015 and Regional Winners 2014
Initiatives: School Traditional Music, Pride of Place, Credit Union Saving Scheme, Music and French Lessons, Speech & Drama, GAA, Soccer & Olympic Handball coaching.

