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RE: Digital Technology Review

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

We are writing to you today to let you know about the formation and planning for our Independent Digital Technology Review Group.

We're delighted to be able to tell you that the Independent Review Group has now begun its work and met with the Board of Management on Wednesday 09.10.19 to brief the Board on their plans.

The three members of the Independent Review Group are:

Cora Dunne

Former Principal of Boyne Community School, Trim.

Dr Ann Marcus-Quinn

Lecturer in Technical Communication and Instructional Design at the University of Limerick.

Dr Carl Ó Dálaigh

Former Deputy Chief Inspector at the Department of Education and Skills Inspectorate of Schools.

We feel very fortunate to have been able to secure the services of these three individuals, and are most grateful to them for agreeing to offer their considerable expertise and experience to this task of reviewing how we use Digital Technology to aid learning and teaching in our school.

The Independent Review Group have now begun their work and will be back in school next week to begin meeting and working with the various stakeholders. They have informed the Board of Management that their work will include:

- Meeting with staff focus groups
- Meeting with student focus groups
- Meeting with the Parents' Association committee and any other parents who wish to meet with the group
- Visiting other one-one device schools

and while this does not represent a full list of all the activities the group may undertake in the course of their review, these will form their starting point over the coming weeks.

The Group have informed the Board that they feel the previously advised timeline for the Group to produce a final report (early December 2019) may be unrealistic and the Board agreed that it would be better for the group to take extra time if needed to ensure such an important and detailed task is completed as thoroughly and successfully as possible. As such, the Group have advised the Board that they aim to have completed their work by the end of January 2020.

We look forward to positive engagement with the Independent Review Group by all the stakeholders in our school community as we move forward together in continuing to develop a positive learning experience for all our students.

Yours faithfully,

Seamus Meehan
Acting Principal

John M^c Carthy
Deputy Principal

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