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Head Teacher's Report – 4/9/25

Welcome

A very warm welcome to existing Parent Council members as well as to new ones. I look forward to working with you all in Session 25/26, as we support the school and move forward together.

Staffing Update Mrs Paterson is due to commence her maternity leave in November, therefore the interviews for the post of Acting Depute Head Teacher will take place on Monday 8th September.

We currently have no support assistant to fill the role of our PEF Support Assistant (10 hours per week). SLC have advised this will be filled in due course, once recruitment processes are complete. This has a noticeable impact in the school.

Mrs Smith joins us on a Thursday and Friday to provide some additionality with teaching as well as providing some CCC cover.

Standards & Qualities 24/25

Our Standards & Qualities Review for 24/25 is on our school website and is an evaluation of last session's improvement plans.

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School Improvement Plan on a Page 25/26

Similarly, our School Improvement Plan on a Page for this session is on our school website.

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We are underway with our priorities with a focus on developing a sensory curriculum (ASN) and Improving our Writing (Mainstream/in some ASN classes). Targeted interventions have also commenced.

Parental Engagement

We would like to further involve our parents/carers in evaluating and progressing our school improvement plan priorities. We will share with you some information on 'Attachment' at our next parent Council session for parents to consider if this is something they would like to support us in further progressing.

Extra-Curricular

We have been selected for the customer vote for Tesco Stronger Starts! Voting will commence in store from the first week in October 2025 until mid-January 2026. Our project is called 'Super 7' and aims to offer our P1-P7 pupils with a minimum of 7 weeks of after school activities throughout the school year.

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