



Midleton College

May 2016

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The Board of Management held its most recent meeting on Monday 23rd May 2016 with all members in attendance.

- The Principal, Dr. Gash, notified the Board of some upcoming staff departures. Ms. Thelma Strickland (Household Manager) is moving on to new opportunities at the end of the current academic year while Ms. Helen Sinclair (a member of the Catering Department) will retire at the same time. Amazingly Ms. Sinclair has worked at the College since the age of 13. Both ladies have been an important part of our community and given considerable service to the College. We wish them both well as they move on to the next stage of their lives.
- Mr. Ian Sexton (Director of Choral Music) is also leaving the College to take up a new posting. We hope his next position is equally rewarding.
- A new subject of 'Wellness' is being introduced in to the Junior Cycle curriculum. Wellness will be introduced through PE/SPHE/CSPE classes. The subject, which will incorporate physical education, relationships and sexuality, anti-bullying programmes, and civic and political education, will be fully integrated across all junior cycle year groups by summer 2020.
- The Principal confirmed that the new Garda Vetting procedures are now in place. It is now a criminal offence to employ some one who has not been Garda Vetted and there can be no unsupervised access to children until vetting is completed.
- The Department of Education has notified schools that the Reasonable Accommodations Applications for the State Examinations 2017 has been delayed until September 2016. This would normally completed by now.
- The College held its annual Governors' Reception on Friday 20th May. It was a lovely evening attended by students, members of the Board of Governors and the Board of Management as well teaching staff. The Board took the opportunity to congratulate the class of 2016 on completing their second level education and wished them well in the State Examinations commencing soon. The also conveyed good wishes to those students sitting the Junior Certificate.
- **Upcoming Events at the College**

Form VI Farewell Ceremony-		12.00pm on Wednesday 1 st June
College Sports Day	-	Friday 3 rd June
State Exams Commence	-	Wednesday 8 th June

The Board of Management will hold its final meeting for this academic year on Monday 27th June 2016.