



## St. Louis Girls' School

*A Self-Evaluation Report was presented to the BOM and the Parents' Association on Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 2019*

### OUR SELF-EVALUATION REPORT AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN

**In the last year, we have looked at teaching and learning in our school to find out what we are doing well. These are what we discovered are our strengths:**

- The pastoral care of our students
- The positive atmosphere, the relationships, collegiality, and collaboration among staff.
- The emphasis on wellbeing with the roll out of the Weaving Wellbeing Programme at all levels.
- The success of the new Gaeilge scheme, Abair Liom and the increased use of ICT in this area.
- The continued improvements in Maths due to the embedding of daily Mental Maths and Tables practice
- The new emphasis on Oral Language Text Types, combined with Writing Genre and Comprehension Strategies being taught simultaneously throughout the whole school.
- Improvements in the areas of Oral Language and Gaeilge focused on in our School Improvement Plan.
- An increased use of Digital Technologies, in particular coding as part of the Shared Education Project

**This is what we did to find out what we were doing well, and what we could do better:**

- We examined daily, weekly and Standardised Test results
- We listened to feedback from teachers, from parents (e.g. at Parent/Teacher Meetings) and from pupils
- We focused on specific areas of Oral Language skills (i.e. Storytelling and Auditory Processing) and assessed pupil progress before and after the skills were taught.
- We observed our pupils' level of engagement and enjoyment in their work.
- We collated the results of a Pupil Questionnaire on the use of Digital Technologies.

**This is what we are now going to work on:**

- *Continue to use the SSE process to implement the new Primary Language Curriculum which is to be rolled out in all classes during the 2019/20 school year:*
- Continue to focus on the teaching of Oral Language Text Types, combined with Writing Genre and Comprehension Strategies.
- Introduce a new initiative called Accelerated Reading as a means to motivate pupils and improve their attainment levels in reading.
- Continue to focus on teaching a number of Oral Irish phrases at each class level & progress this up through the school.

**This is what you can do to help:**

Ensure your child does her homework every night

Listen to her reading and read with her and to her.

Encourage her to do 15/20 mins. of Accelerated Reading every night.

Talk to your child about what she is learning in school and show an interest in her work.

*The School has examined the Legislative and Regulatory Requirements and is pleased to state that we are compliant with all of the requirements*