



**Agreed Report from the meeting of the Board of Management of
Glanmire Community College held on Monday 2 March 2026 at 4.30pm**

Board Members:

Parent Nominees: Ms Jacqueline McCarthy [Chairperson], Mr Alan Mulcahy

Cork ETB Nominees: Ms. Naoimh Frawley, Ms. Ger Moloney-Sheehan, Cllr. Oliver Moran

Diocesan Nominees: Father Pat Nugent

Minority Nominee: Reverend Elise Hanley

Teacher Nominees: Mr. Cormac Dooley, Mr. Dean Grainger

Community Nominee: Ms. Kristin Tessayman

Recording Secretary: Ms. Caroline Byrne (Deputy Principal)

Secretary: Mr. Ronan McCarthy (Principal)

1. The Board offered its condolences to:
 - GCC staff member Imelda Manning whose mother Julia passed away in late December
 - GCC staff member Sean Og Murphy whose father Sean passed away in January
 - GCC staff member Katherine Foley whose mother Martha passed away in January

2. The Board offered its congratulations to:
 - The entire production team for their wonderful staging of the 2026 GCC School Musical, The Wizard of Oz
 - All our students and staff who travelled to Italy for this year's fantastic GCC school ski trip

- Our students and staff who took part in our excellent French language trip to Paris
- Our *GCC* school choirs who competed in Feis Maitiú last week with the Junior Choir and Group Choir both coming in first place in their categories and the Senior Choir who came second place in a competition that had outstanding choirs from schools all over the country
- 2025 *GCC* graduate Darragh Flynn who received the prestigious Trinity Exhibition Award at their awards ceremony on Thursday 22 January 2026. The award recognises his exceptional academic achievement in the 2025 Leaving Certificate
- *GCC* Year students Fia O'Flynn-McDonagh (1st Year), Dean Horgan (2nd Year), Ciarán Long (1st Year) and Sophie Murphy (6th Year) whose projects were recognised for awards in the Discover Cork: Schools' Heritage Project
- *GCC* staff member Anna Moroney on the birth of her daughter Esme in December
- *GCC* teachers Michelle O Halloran, Dean Grainger, Cathal Duggan, Laura Nagle and William Horgan on their appointment as AP11 post holders
- *GCC* Deputy Principal Seamus Kennefick who has informed the school and Cork ETB of his intention to retire after 25 years of loyal service to *GCC*.

The Board expressed its gratitude for the commitment and support of our *GCC* staff in ensuring our students continue to have the opportunity to take part in very valuable cocurricular and extracurricular experiences here in *GCC*. The Board also acknowledged the exemplary behaviour, teamwork, and positive participation of our students in these school events.

3. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'Teaching & Learning' including:
 - Oide - Guidance on Artificial Intelligence in Schools
 - *GCC* Christmas Assessment Analysis 2025-26
 - *GCC* Pre Examinations 2026
 - Foreign Language Assistant Scheme 2026/2027
 - Oide Full Day of Professional Learning 'Planning for Change'
 - Senior Cycle Pathways
 - Lilly Secondary School STEM Ambassadors
 - Junior Cycle Applied Technology Professional Learning Experience (PLE)
 - *GCC* Teaching and Learning Group
 - SEC Circular S14/26 on Additional Time for Arrangements in State Examinations
 - Transition Year Programme Statement - Video Link
 - Assessment for Incoming First Years Saturday 7 February 2026

4. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'Finance' including:

- *GCC Cost Centre Summary Reports*
- *GCC Detailed Expenditure Reports*
- *Record of Orders & Invoices by Location - Cork ETB*
- *Record of Orders & Invoices by Location - GCC*
- *GCC Income & Expenditure Plan January to December 2026*
- *Charitable Refunds*
- *GCC Purchasing Card Statements*
- *Main Scheme Budget Allocation Letter 2026*
- *Funding of Staff Continued Professional Development*

5. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'Risk' including:

- *RSA - Wednesday 28 & Thursday 29 January 2026*
- *GCC Alarm Monitoring & Keyholding 2026*
- *Renewal of Lift Service Contract*
- *Tuscon Safety Pump Alert*
- *Service of Fume Cupboards*
- *Irish Engineering Services - Reports - IPB/ETB/016*
- *TY Work Experience Letter*
- *GCC Risk Assessments January 2026*
- *Updated Plant List - Irish Engineering Services*
- *Manual Handling Training*

6. The Board was updated on a number of issues under 'School Building' including:

- *GCC Pathfinder Biomass Project*
- *Update on the School Building Projects*
- *Upgrade to C Block Comms Room Switches*
- *Solar Panels Installation*
- *Optima Stage Graphic and Artwork Installation*
- *Relining of GCC School Car Park*
- *Purchase of Flagpoles*
- *Managed Print Services - Rationalisation of Devices*
- *BLAST Arts/Creative Schools Ceramics Project with Julie Forrester*
- *B-Block Science Labs Upgrades*

7. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'School Planning' including:

- *GCC French Language Tour to Paris - Updated Departure Time & Itinerary*
- *GCC Parents Council Uniform Bank Sale*

- GCC Subjects Options & Timetable Planning 26-27 School Year
- Cork ETB Erasmus Plus & European Engagement
- Cork ETB 2026/27 Allocation Meetings
- Standardised School Year - CC2018/2026
- 1st Year Reading Intervention Group
- Placement of UCC Undergraduate Student Teachers 2026-27
- Box Breathing/Chair Yoga - Update
- Droichead Induction Activity

8. The Board was updated on a number of items under 'School Policies' including:

- Ethos Symposium & eLearning Module
- GCC Parents Council meetings
- Cork ETB SENCO and Special Class Coordinators Community of Practice Meeting
- GCC Health & Safety statement and Risk Assessments
- Parent Information Webinar 3rd February 2026 - Talk to your child/teenager about Vaping
- Attendance Campaign Support grant and Tusla Term 1 School Absence Report
- CETB Insurance Documents 2026
- GCC Asset Register Audit
- GCC Restorative Practice (RP)

9. The Board members were updated on the following since its last meeting:

- Child Protection referrals
- Bullying reports
- Suspensions
- Reduced School Day Notifications
- Exclusions

10. The Board was presented with the Child Protection Oversight Report

11. The Board was presented with the Appendix D - Bullying Behaviour Update

12. The date for the next meeting of the Board is Monday 27 April 2026

