

School Self Evaluation:Literacy Update May 2018

In the last year we have looked at teaching and learning in our school to find out what we are doing well.

In September 2017 Coláiste na Sceilge won the WellRead School Award for 2017-2020 in recognition of a school successfully promoting and supporting a culture of reading that involves students, teachers, ancillary staff, parents and the wider community.

The Parent Council donated generously to the upgrade of the school library

A Verbal Enrichment Programme was introduced to Learning Support classes

The Library Reading Club met twice a week

All teachers received a teaching resource box to continue to foster a print rich and discursive classroom environment

Key word door posters were displayed on classroom doors to explain exam words to students.

Arts Day for First Year Students

Greater students use of MS365 to assist study, survey student opinions.

This is what we did to find out what we are doing well and what we could do better:

Consulted students, parents and teachers in relation to upgrading to the library.

Consulted students and teachers in relation to the impact of the Verbal Enrichment Programme

Consulted teachers and students in relation to the impact the teaching resource box was having on the promotion of spoken and written literacy in the classroom.

This is what we are now going to work on:

Train additional teachers to roll out Verbal Enrichment Programme

Continue to add to the teacher resource box

Continue to promote reading and the library book club.

Ask the school community, parents and the local community to get involved in One Book, One Community again next year.

This is what you can do to help

We invite you to get involved on our second “One Book, One Community” next year. It will run from October to January and we welcome your recommendations for a good book with wide appeal. We chose *All the Light we Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr in 2016/17. It was well received by students, teachers and many parents. You can help us at CNS to instil a love of reading by offering books as presents for your children, and talking them about the books they are reading at school or home time.