

Self-Evaluation Report and School Improvement Plan

1. Introduction

This document is a blueprint of our current improvement plan.

1.2 The focus of this evaluation

We undertook self-evaluation of teaching and learning during the period *September 2018* to *Jan/2019*. We evaluated the following aspect(s) of teaching and learning:

- Literacy

2. Findings

2.1 This is effective / very effective practice in our school

List the main strengths of the school in teaching and learning.

- *Pupils enjoy their learning, are motivated to learn and expect to achieve as learners*
- *The teacher selects and uses teaching approaches appropriate to the learning objective and to the pupils' learning needs.*
- *Teaches work together to devise learning opportunities for pupils across and beyond the curriculum*

2.2. This is how we know

List the evidence sources. Refer to pupils' dispositions, attainment, knowledge and skills.

- *Pupils see themselves as learners and demonstrate this in their positive approach to classwork and homework*
- *Pupils' subject-specific skills and attitudes are developed in accordance with the Primary School Curriculum.*
- *Pupils' achievement in summative assessments, including standardised tests, is in line with or above realistic expectations.*
- *Relevant surveys*

2.3 This is what we are going to focus on to improve our practice further

Specify the aspects of teaching and learning the school has identified and prioritised for further improvement.

- Following detailed and lengthy staff discussion, through SCOT analysis and teacher reflection, it was decided that Literacy would be our area for self improvement.
- In accordance and adhering to the New Primary Language Curriculum we decided that Oral Language would be our area to focus on, and more specifically Oral Reports.
- In relation to this we propose that:
 1. *The pupils' knowledge, skills and understanding for the specific subjects of the curriculum are at a good standard in accordance with the objectives, skills and concepts of the Primary Curriculum*
 2. *Pupils take responsibility for their own learning, and use the learning resources provided to them to develop their skills and extend their knowledge.*

3. Our improvement plan

On the next page we have recorded:

- The **targets** for improvement we have set
- The **actions** we will implement to achieve these
- **Who is responsible** for implementing, monitoring and reviewing our improvement plan
- How we will measure **progress** and check **outcomes** (criteria for success)
- As we implement our improvement plan we will record:
- The **progress** made, and **adjustments** made, and **when**
- **Achievement of targets** (original and modified), and **when**

School Improvement Plan –Literacy-Oral Language

TARGETS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve the standard of Oral Language, that the children will move one place to the right when delivering an Oral report. • Use technology to assist this aim • To foster and enhance self-confidence when delivering an Oral Report, to move from 30% of children feeling confident to 70% of children feeling confident delivering an oral report 	
ACTIONS	Who?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage in CPD and obtain guidance, Elizabeth Breen (PDST) onsite visit for SSE and Oral Language • Review English Plan - whole school approach • Timetable specific lessons, regulate English lessons, putting an emphasis on an independent Oral Language lesson per week. • Utilising Croke Park hours for planning, reviewing and sharing of resources • School Closure for PLC • Engagement with Digital Cluster and CPD in VR goggles • Purchase of new english scheme, that manages and incorporates the three elements of the PLC more efficiently 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the staff will implement the plan • The children will participate and engage with the plan. • Parents will contribute and receive feedback • The principal (Cliona) will ensure that the plan is being implemented • Whole school approach to reviewing and adapting plan 	

MONITORING:

- **Whole school**
- **Staff meeting and Croke Park hours specifically designated to update and review improvement plan**
- **Oral Report rubric**
- **Cuntaisí Míosúla - accounts and evidence of deliverance**
- **Questionnaires, Teacher/Pupil/Parent**

Whole Staff / Co-ordinator

Principal

Relevant Teachers

Class Teachers

Children and Parents

EVALUATION APPROACH:

- Rubric in relation to Oral Reports to be used at the beginning and at the end of term to monitor progress
- Teacher Evaluation
- Adhering to the timetable and allowing a class per week for Oral language independently
- The use of technology, our VR headsets to focus and motivate the children on a specific topic for reports
- Issue questionnaires at the beginning of the process and at the end of term 2

EVALUATION TOOLS:

- Oral Language Rubric
- Questionnaires
- Teacher assessment of Oral Reports

NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS THROUGHOUT IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS:

- **The entire school plan and schedule had to be reviewed and altered, this resulted in a delay in the implementation**
- **A new English programme was purchased, this contributed to the delay, as we wanted to plan with the new material in mind**
- **The strong link between the writing and the oral process was very much apparent, the children felt more supported by writing their reports initially before delivering them orally.**

TARGET

ACHIEVED:

To improve the standard of Oral Language, that the children will move one place to the right when delivering an Oral report.

Yes

No

Use technology to assist this aim

Yes

No

To foster and enhance self-confidence when delivering an Oral Report, to move from 30% of children feeling confident to 70% of children feeling confident delivering an oral report

Yes

No

