



# *St. Brigid's Girls' National School*

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

You are cordially invited to attend a meeting of parents and guardians of pupils attending St. Brigid's Girls' National School to elect Parents' Nominees to the incoming Board of Management.

**The meeting will take place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 in the School Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

## **Background:**

The Board of Management is the body established under the Education Act 1998 to manage the school on behalf of the Patron, in accordance with the Rules for National Schools and Circulars issued by the Department of Education and Skills. The Patron of our school is the Catholic Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Dublin.

The full Board consists of eight members. Two members are nominees of the Patron, one of whom is the Chairperson. The Board also includes the Principal, a Teachers' Nominee and two Parents' Nominees, one a father and the other a mother of pupils attending the school. At their first meeting, these six nominate two others from the wider community. Following completion of the nomination processes, all members are formally appointed to the Board by the Patron.

The term of office of the current members will expire on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019. The newly appointed members of the Board will then assume office. Provided they are not ineligible, existing members may be nominated to the new Board.

## **Election Process for Parents' Nominees:**

Candidates for the fathers' and mothers' panel will be nominated from the floor of the meeting on foot of a proposer and seconder. The nominees should be present at the meeting, in order to confirm that they accept nomination. In the event that more than one candidate is nominated for either or both panels, the matter will be decided by secret ballot that will be taken at the meeting from those present. In the event that only one candidate is nominated for a panel, that person will be deemed elected.

The details of the elected Parents' Nominees will be forwarded to the Diocesan Education Offices for appointment to the Board by the Patron.

**Looking forward to seeing you there for this very important election.**

Yours sincerely,

**FERGUS HAYDEN.**

**CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.**

16<sup>th</sup> September 2019.