

## Highly Successful Whole School Evaluation for St. Paul's!



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St. Paul's had a Whole School Evaluation of the school in April 2014. Inspectors from the Department of Education and Skills collected a large amount of paperwork and information from the school; they conducted interviews with the staff, the Parents' Association Committee members and members of the Board of Management; and they spent a week in the school visiting classes and speaking with the teachers.

The report is on the Department of Education and Science website and we are delighted to say that it was overwhelmingly positive. The inspection focussed on School management; School planning and self-evaluation; Quality of teaching, learning and pupil achievement and Quality of pupil support. Each element was highly commended with exemplary practices identified. Nothing was missed and everything was praised. We are pleased to see that the inspectors noted the continuous effort placed by the staff on keeping the well-being of the children to the forefront of everything we do. They identified the school as an 'affirming, child-centred and visually-stimulating environment'. They noted the 'very welcoming and nurturing atmosphere' created within the school. We were particularly delighted to see that the inspectors noted, and praised, the excellent behaviour of the children and commended the high level of respect they show for one another and for their teachers.

