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Agreed Report April 9th (Deferred to May 7th) 2025

1. Opening Prayer: Fr. Hayes led the board in saying the opening prayer.
2. Ethos: The board examined the Mission Statement.
3. Number on Roll: There are 406 pupils enrolled in St. John's coming from 293 families.
4. Junior Infant Admissions 2025: We have 52 pupils enrolled in Junior Infants for the 2025/26 school year, while 63 pupils will leave the school from 6th Class this June.
5. Music: St. John's N.S. were delighted to welcome Peggy Healy back this term for Music. Peggy is working with all classes, promoting the Music Curriculum strands of Listening and Responding, Performing and Composing.
6. Gaeilge: Seachtain na Gaeilge took place from 3ú Márta – 14ú Márta and all the children made an extra special effort with their Gaeilge! The pupils were involved in a number of school initiatives, such as Gaeilgeoir an lae, biongó, trath na gceist, ceolchoirm agus Lá Glas.
7. Education Trips: Agri Aware and Kerry Dairy Ireland are continuing their successful 'Host Farmer Initiative' in the Kerry Dairy catchment area, and our 5th Class recently took part by visiting a local farm in Kilgarvan, where they enjoyed a hands-on learning experience about agriculture and sustainability.
8. School Planning: We are bringing our SSE focus on self-assessment to a conclusion, following a review of the data collected. At our Term 2 staff meeting on March 14th, teachers discussed next steps, including the importance of situating our findings within the relevant standards and domains outlined in *Looking at Our School 2022*.
9. Wellbeing SSE: As part of our SSE focus on Wellbeing, we are currently exploring the theme of *Relationships and Partnerships*. This area is supported in the school through a range of agreed formal and informal structures, including student voice

initiatives, buddy and mentoring systems, school assemblies, newsletters, student journals, and practices embedded in teaching and learning.

10. Parents Association: The Parents' Association has been actively involved in organising and securing sponsorship for memento hoodies for our 6th Class graduates, ensuring a special keepsake for the pupils as they prepare to leave primary school.
11. Cumann na mBunscoil Mini 7's : Well done to the St. John's Mini 7s football teams who represented the school in the Kenmare District competition on March 21st. Both teams played excellent football and qualified for the county finals held in Austin Stack Park, Tralee on March 26th. The girls' team performed particularly well, reaching the quarter-final stage. Congratulations also to the pupils from 5th and 6th Class who took part in the Mini 7s Hurling and Camogie competitions in Rathmore on March 27th, showcasing great skill and teamwork throughout.
12. Anti-Bullying & Homework Policy: Anti-Bullying Policy and Homework Policy ratified by the Board of Management.
13. The meeting concluded at 7.40pm