

## Educate Together Ethos: School Self-Evaluation Report

<b>Name of School</b>	Kilcolgan ETNS		
<b>Area of Focus</b>	Ethical Education	Year Developed	2019/2020
<b>SSE Team Members</b>	Anna McCarthy Anna Eagleton Fionnuala Ní Chaoimh Joanne O'Reilly	Data gathered (list groups consulted and other sources of data used in the evaluation)	Surveys – BOM, Parents, Staff, Students (3 <sup>rd</sup> Class – 6 <sup>th</sup> Class) Mind Maps – 4 <sup>th</sup> Class & 6 <sup>th</sup> Class Informal feedback over the years/

### Effective/ highly effective practice in the school (in relation to the area of focus)

- Learn Together is valued and is considered central to the ethos of the school by stakeholders.
- Learn Together is considered “felt” in the school community, and is part of the day to day interaction.
- Teachers feel that Learn Together is well resourced.
- Circle Time & Mind Up have both been received very positively by the children and have enhanced the delivery of Learn Together in our school. According to our surveys, these have proven to be very important to the children.
- Community and family are invited and welcomed to be involved in Learn Together activities.

### Areas for improvement

- More than ½ of children responded that they either haven't seen or don't know if they've seen posters/displays or children's work relating to Learn Together up in our school. Though we're tight on display space, we should look at this to make Learn Together more visible.
- ½ of children's responses agreed or strongly agreed, that a lot of topics are repeated each year by teachers doing the Learn Together programme. The school should have a **whole school yearly plan** for all Learn Together strands. Teachers and parents also felt a whole school plan would be beneficial so that lessons aren't repeated across year groups. Parents would like more information on what is being covered in Learn Together in our school, and would like it to be a bigger part of SLCS.
- 45% of children responded that they disagreed or didn't know that “the Learn Together programme is treated as important in my school as the other subjects.” Learn Together should be named in a formal way by teachers and stakeholders involved in Learn Together activities in our school.
- Some stakeholders felt that they didn't have an awareness of parents' and members of the community's involvement in the Learn Together programme. Involvement of family and community members should continue to be encouraged, and better acknowledged.

## Educate Together Ethos: School Improvement Plan

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Targets	Actions	Implementation period	Action Leader: Implementation Team:	Dates to review progress	How/when/with who to check if Target is achieved.
Review and update our school plan for teaching Learn Together.	Croke Park Hour with all staff to review and draft a new school plan for Learn Together. To be finalised and disseminated by September '21.	April - September '21	Anna Eagleton Anna McCarthy	September '21	Above named team to review in Sept '21
Teachers will present the relevant content of the class Learn Together plan at parent information mornings.  The plan will be available on school website.	Create a plan and publish it on school website.	September '21	Anna Eagleton Anna McCarthy Fionnuala Ni Chaoimh Joanne O'Reilly	September '21	Above named team to brief teachers on this in Sept '21  Plan to be published on website in the first term of 21/22
Teachers will "name" their Learn Together lessons to help children to recognise the different elements of the Learn Together School Plan.	Ensure Learn Together is explicitly mentioned as part of the timetable and at the start of lessons. Revision questions like 'what did we do in Learn Together last week?'	September '21 - June '22	All teachers	September '21	All staff to be briefed on this at first staff meeting and be reminded thereafter. Principal may sporadically check with classes.
A central "Learn Together" display will be put up somewhere in the	Identify a suitable space. Create a rota of teachers/ classes to maintain the display	September '21 - June '22	All teachers	September '21 and intermittently at staff meetings.	Rota, as described, to be posted in staffroom

school. Each classroom will have a Learn Together display showing current topic(s).

Learn Together to remain on monthly staff meeting agenda