

Ballinacarriga Mixed National School

Our Digital Learning Plan

1. Introduction

This document records the outcomes of our current digital learning plan, including targets and the actions we will implement to meet the targets.

1.1 School Details:

Ballinacarriga NS is a Catholic Elthos school which currently has 85 pupils, 4 classroom teachers, 1 SET and a part-time visiting SET. We have one SNA on .75 hours. We are a health-promoting school and we often take on initiatives to promote inclusiveness and positive mental health. We take part in a wide variety of activities from indoor football and hurling to debating, from Cork City Sports to Green Flag. Our students learn tin whistle from Junior Infants to Sixth Class and we take great pride in our bi-annual Christmas concert held in the local community hall. We currently have 5 teaching laptops, 4 interactive whiteboards, 6 ipads and 6 notebooks in the school. We use digital technology on a daily basis.

1.2 School Vision:

- In Ballinacarriga National School we have a very positive attitude to digital technology. We wish to build on this by upskilling our teachers and giving our pupils more opportunities to engage in a meaningful way with digital technology. We hope to build the confidence of children in using digital technologies to create and store projects and work they are proud of and can reflect on. We will strive

to teach the children about safe internet use and about being responsible in creating their digital identity and we will communicate this message to the parental community also. We hope to invest both our time and our finances in a productive and focused way to enrich the tools we already have and make good decisions about future investments.

1.3 Brief account of the use of digital technologies in the school to date:

- Teachers use their interactive whiteboards daily
- There is an iPad in each classroom, including the learning support classroom.
- In the Infant Classroom and the First and Second Class Classroom iPads are used to take photos, create books, movies and use apps to reinforce what is being learned in literacy and maths.
- In the 3rd-4th Class and 5th-6th Class classrooms the iPads are used as above but also to research projects and debates.
- In the 3rd-4th Class and 5th-6th Class classrooms children often use the notebooks to type up their work and print and share it with a wider audience
- Sometimes a class will take all iPads and notebooks to use as a class.

2. The focus of this Digital Learning Plan

We undertook a digital learning evaluation in our school during the period *April 2018* to *June 2018* We evaluated our progress using the following sources of evidence:

- Audit of digital technologies available in the school
- feedback and reflection from staff members

2.1 The dimensions and domains from the Digital Learning Framework being selected

- Learner Outcomes, Learner Experiences

2.2 The standards and statements from the Digital Learning Framework being selected

Standard	Statement(s)
Pupils enjoy their learning, are motivated to learn and expect to achieve as learners	Pupils use appropriate digital technologies to foster active engagement in attaining appropriate learning outcomes. Pupils use digital technologies to collect evidence and record progress.

2.3. These are a summary of our strengths with regards digital learning

- We have a range of digital tools available to us.
- All teachers are confident to explore and use the digital technologies available to them
- All pupils enjoy using the digital technologies available to them

2.4 This is what we are going to focus on to improve our digital learning practice further

- Set up ipads with individual user IDs
- Teacher CPD, specifically on apps and tools to use with whole class
- We will use more age-appropriate online resources.

3. Our Digital Learning 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**

Digital Learning Action Plan

DOMAIN: Learner Outcomes				
STANDARD(S): Pupils enjoy their learning, are motivated to learn and expect to achieve as learners				
STATEMENT(S): Pupils use appropriate digital technologies to foster active engagement in attaining appropriate learning outcomes. Pupils use digital technologies to collect evidence and record progress.				
TARGETS: Pupils will source age-appropriate online information from safe sources. Pupils will create and share curricular based digital content appropriate to their class level once per term.				
ACTIONS (What needs to be done?)	TIMEFRAME (When is it to be done by?)	PERSONS / GROUPS RESPONSIBLE (Who is to do it?)	CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS (What are the desired outcomes?)	RESOURCES (What resources are needed?)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Set up iPads ● Teacher will engage CPD on using digital technologies to source and create content with a CPD provider ● All pupils will use book creator to create digital content ● All pupils will use safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sept 2019 ● from October 2019-June 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Kelly ● PDST advisor and all staff ● All staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● By the end of Sept 2019 ipads will be set up with Apple school manager ● By June 2020, teachers and students will use appropriate sources of online information and a digital tools (book creator) to support teaching, learning and assessment process in their class. ● Each pupil will create digital content and share 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ipads, compu-b ● tablets, worldbook online, scoilnet, DK findout ● tablets, worldbook online, scoilnet, DK findout

<p>sources of online information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pupils will share the digital content that they created with peers ● Staff will share their experiences using digital technologies in their classrooms with each other and engage in peer support where appropriate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● from October 2019-June 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All staff 	<p>with their peers and/or other classes (possible showcase day once a term)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Staff will share experience and help each other to upskill 	
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EVALUATION PROCEDURES:
 (How are we progressing? Do we need to make adjustments? Have we achieved our targets?)

Date, comment on progress
 Sept 23rd: New ipads will be ordered this week, old ipads will be reset.