

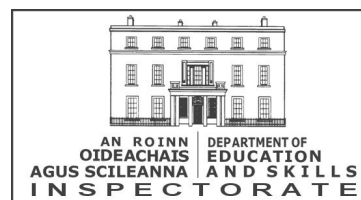
An Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna

Department of Education and Skills

**Follow-Through Inspection
REPORT**

**Beneavin de la Salle College
Finglas, Dublin 11
Roll Number: 605110**

Date of inspection: 17 May 2016



Date of original inspection¹	4 December 2013	Type of original report	WSE-MLL	Date of FT inspection	17 May 2016
Report published	Yes				
Follow-through inspection activities					
<p><i>The following activities took place in the course of the follow-through inspection</i></p> <p>Meeting with senior management team Review of school documentation and records Review of resources and facilities</p>					
Recommendation in original inspection report		Progress achieved to date on implementation of recommendation			
Further progress should be made on presenting planned programmes of work for all subjects in terms of learning outcomes for students.		<p>Very good progress</p> <p>Programmes of work have been revised to include the learning outcomes for students. It is commendable that a common template is being implemented on a phased basis which allows students and teachers to reflect on the degree of achievement of each learning outcome at the conclusion of a topic.</p>			
The presentation of data on students' achievements in the certificate examinations should be followed with documented analysis, which should then be used as one of the bases for planning for improvement.		<p>Very good progress</p> <p>All subject department planning folders contain details of student achievement in the certificate examinations which include the trends over the previous five years, comparisons with previous years and with the national average data as well as reflection on results and action plans arising within each subject department.</p>			
The weekly time allocation to a small number of subjects at junior cycle should be increased, in line with current guidelines.		<p>Very good progress</p> <p>The weekly time allocation for the subjects discussed at the time of the evaluation is now in line with current guidelines.</p>			
The focus of school self-evaluation should be narrowed so as to facilitate more effective school planning.		<p>Very good progress</p> <p>School self-evaluation (SSE) is now at an advanced stage. School improvement plans and SSE reports have been developed in the areas of literacy and numeracy. Appropriate targets have been set and strategies are being implemented. Currently, the school is focusing on the area of differentiation within teaching and learning.</p>			
Summary of findings					
<p>Very good progress is evident in each of the four main recommendations of the 2013 WSE-MLL report. The school has extended the collaborative approach developed within subject department planning and SSE; this includes the sharing of differentiated methodologies at staff-planning meetings where in-house expertise is utilised to good effect. Recent positive developments in the school also include the introduction of Transition Year, mixed-ability classes and a healthy eating policy.</p>					
Recommendations					
No further recommendations arise in relation to the recommendations in the original report.					

¹ Date on cover of original inspection report

The board of management was given an opportunity to comment in writing on the findings and recommendations of the report, and the response of the board will be found in the appendix of this report.

Appendix

School response to the report

Submitted by the Board of Management

Part A: Observations on the content of the inspection report

The board of management of Beneavin De La Salle College would like to say how delighted it is to receive such a positive report from the Inspectorate. The report indicates that very good progress is evident in each of the four main recommendations of the 2013 WSE-MLL report. The school has extended the collaborative approach developed within subject department planning and SSE; this includes the sharing of differentiated methodologies at staff-planning meetings where in-house expertise is utilised to good effect.

We are delighted that the Inspectorate found that there was no need to make any further recommendations in relation to the ones in the original report. We will, as a board, continue to strive to ensure that the school builds on this positive report and remains on the path of self-evaluation for improvement in teaching and learning and to ensure that all students experience a successful and enriching education here in Beneavin.

Part B: Follow-up actions planned or undertaken since the completion of the inspection activity to implement the findings and recommendations of the inspection