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**Standardised Tests 2025**

**Literacy & Numeracy**: Standardised testing (Drumcondra Literacy, Maths, Irish and Spellings) have been carried out in all upper classes and the school is performing well. Screening tests have been undertaken in the Junior and Senior Infant Classes.

Please see graphs below showing how Bekan School is performing against the national norms for literacy and numeracy. The pink line is the national norm, blue line is Bekan NS

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**Wellbeing Policy:** Pupil wellbeing is an area we are continuing to focus on. The school has invested in upgrading facilities in the playground so that children have a variety of play opportunities. We have a installed a climbing wall, basketball hoops and games boards at the junior end. A new picnic bench has been put into the senior yard. Our student council take turns in helping others on the yard who might be finding it hard to join in games. This year our school provided a counselling programme for pupils with anxiety. We also had a very enjoyable and successful wellbeing week in school in April.

**Bí Cineálta Policy:** This anti-bullying policy will be mandatory from September and all parents will be emailed a copy once it has been ratified by the Board of Management.

**Literacy:** In 2024-25, the focus of our School Self-Evaluation in Literacy was the area of **Comprehension development**.  The school has recently invested in resources for all classes to enable teachers develop and embed comprehension skills as part of this plan.

**Maths:** In September a new maths curriculum was introduced throughout the school. This curriculum is characterised by playfulness, creativity, challenge, risk-taking, collaboration and opportunities for reasoning and solving real-life problems. In this new curriculum, children must understand why math works and how different areas of math are related. We believe that this new approach will make maths more enjoyable and easier to understand.