

## Philosophy and aims for Shraigh N.S:

- To foster an understanding and critical appreciation of the values (moral, spiritual, religious, social and cultural) which have been distinctive in shaping Irish society, and which have been traditionally accorded respect in society.
- To nurture a sense of personal identity, self- esteem, and awareness of one's particular abilities, aptitudes and limitations, combined with a respect for the rights and beliefs of others.
- To promote excellence and equality in the development of the educational potential of all pupils, including those who are disadvantaged through economic, social, physical and mental matters.
- To develop knowledge, skills and aptitudes, a spirit of enquiry and the capacity to analyse issues critically and constructively.
- To develop expressive, creative and artistic abilities to the individual capacity.
- To foster a spirit of self- reliance, innovation, initiative, and imagination.
- To promote physical and emotional health and well-being.
- To provide pupils with the necessary education and training to support the country's economic development and enable them to make their particular contribution to society in an effective way.
- To create tolerant, caring and politically aware members of society.
- To ensure that Ireland's young people acquire a keen appreciation of their local, national and European heritage and identity.
- To foster in pupils a global awareness and a sense of responsibility for the long-term care of the environment.
- To provide a safe, non-threatening, environment for children, staff, visiting staff, ancillary staff and visitors.