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DUNDALK GRAMMAR SCHOOL

**June 2020**

**Appointment of Deputy Principal**

Firstly, I hope this letter finds you safe and well and that slowly we return to normality as a community.

The Covid-19 period has been a most difficult and unprecedented time for our school family. We as a school and through our reliable and committed staff, will continue to care and nurture our students. On behalf of the Board of Governors, I wish to thank all the Dundalk Grammar School (DGS) teaching and non-teaching staff for their hard work over the past year. Their flexibility and dedication to the students and parents is paramount to the success of the school community.

You may be aware, Mr. McKeague, Deputy Principal, is leaving DGS to take up a post overseas and we wish him every success in his new role. We know he will bring a positive impact there as he did in our school. Consequently, a new Deputy Principal has been appointed and we are delighted to confirm that Mr. Enda Murphy has been appointed as Mr. McKeague's successor.

Mr. Murphy is a native of Kerry, and holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree (with Spanish) from University College Cork, Post Graduate Diplomas in both Education and Marketing and is currently studying a Master's degree in Education and Training Management (Leadership) at Dublin City University. Mr. Murphy began his teaching career in the Intermediate School in Killorglin before joining DGS in 2013 as a teacher of Spanish and Business. He has made his home in the area with his wife, Ann Marie.

Most may be aware of Mr. Murphy's sporting success, playing rugby competitively at club level for Killorglin RFC and more recently as Captain of Dundalk RFC. Mr. Murphy has carried his enthusiasm for rugby and teaching in everyday school life. He has been instrumental in successfully developing and coaching rugby at the school to a high standard, winning several Leinster titles and the school being accredited with the 'Development School of the Year 2016', by Leinster Rugby. Highly respected among his colleagues, Mr. Murphy's passion for teaching-and-learning, his commitment to the school's values, his dedication to the education and well-being of students, combine to make him the ideal candidate for the role of Deputy Principal in our school. Please join me in congratulating Mr. Murphy on his new role.

In the interim, from all at Dundalk Grammar School, we wish you a restful and safe summer break, we look forward to welcoming you back in the autumn and to the 6<sup>th</sup> Yrs, every success for the future, *Sapere Aude*.

**Graeme B. Treadwell**

**Chairperson, Board of Governors**