St. Flannan's College



Ennis, Co. Clare, Ireland

18th December 2025.

Re: New Principal of St. Flannan's College.

Good evening Parents and Students,

On this Feast Day of St. Flannan, I wish to advise that the appointment process for Principal has been completed. I am very pleased to inform you that the Board of Management has appointed Mr. Donal Cahir as Principal of St. Flannan's College commencing on 5th January 2026.

Donal has a long-standing career at St. Flannan's College having joined the staff in 1999 as teacher of Technology, DCG and MTW. He has served as a Deputy Principal from September 2017 and has served as Acting Principal since August 2025 taking on the senior leadership role when Fr. Ignatius McCormack retired. I thank Fr. McCormack for his excellent service as Principal and wish him well in his ministry as Priest with the Diocese of Killaloe.

I know that you will join me, the Patron, Bishop Fintan Monahan, and the Board of Management in congratulating Donal on his appointment and wishing him every blessing as he leads St. Flannan's College into the future.

I thank each of you, parents and students for your support of our school and wish you the peace and joy of Christmas and every blessing for 2026.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

Leonard Cleary

Chairperson Board of Management.

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