

ippn *vision:*

Every Principal empowered to be an exemplary leader of learning – every teacher inspired to lead every child's learning.

ippn *mission:*

Tacaíocht, Misneach agus Spreagadh – Supporting and Representing School Leaders.

ippn *is:*

- The officially recognised professional body for leaders of Irish Primary Schools
- An independent, non-for-profit voluntary association with a local, regional and national presence
- An official *Education Partner*, working with the Department of Education & Science, the National Parents' Council, management bodies, unions, education agencies, academic institutions and children's charities towards the advancement of primary education.

ippn *aims:*

- Professionalise school leadership to ensure quality learning
- Reflect the experience of school leaders on professional issues
- Resource the professional needs of school leaders
- Improve the quality of education policy and practice

ippn *exists:*

to support and represent School Leaders. Working for, and on behalf of Principals we:

- Facilitate professional development
- Provide leadership guidance and advice
- Deliver a range of bespoke web-based services
- Survey Principals' experience and opinion
- Conduct and publish education research
- Influence education policy development
- Negotiate commercial benefits for both members and schools.

ippn *articulates:*

- The collective knowledge and professional experience of 6,600 Principals and Deputy Principals
- The day-to-day reality of over 500,000 children being educated in Ireland's 3,300 Primary Schools.

ippn *supports & services:*

Principal Advice

- Professional Guidance on current Leadership & Management challenges
- Confidential non-directive advice for individual members
- Mentoring Programme for newly appointed principals (in partnership with LDS)

Professional Development Events

- Annual Principals' Conference
- Annual Deputy Principals' Conference
- Regional Professional Seminars with International guest facilitators
- 26 County Networks hosting 3 professional development events per annum

Irish Primary Principals' Network

Supporting and Representing School Leaders



Publications

- Leadership⁺ - 6 Professional Journals per annum – 2 per academic term
- E-scéal – weekly electronic newsletter

On-Line Supports

- www.ippn.ie - a resource and communication website for school leaders
- networking@ippn.ie – Internal Group mail facilitating member discussion
- www.educationopinion.ie – a research tool enabling members to contribute to IPPN policy
- www.textaparent.ie – A web-based bulk text message facility for home – school communication
- www.educationposts.ie – an interactive web-based advertising facility for teaching vacancies
- www.textasub.ie – an on-line facility to find available substitute teachers by text message