## Welcome to the Edmund Rice Senior School, New Ross.

We are really proud of our brand new school. It has everything we could wish for and is now one of the most modern school buildings in Ireland. Despite being a little further away for some pupils, it is very near the APEX swimming pool and next door to the GAA playing pitches. We plan to have hurling, camogie, football, handball, swimming, and athletics teams.

## What has the school got in the line of rooms and facilities?

- 17 mainstream classrooms . All classrooms have their own toilets. Each classroom has its own thermostat for heat control.
- 8 rooms for small group teaching and for one to one teaching.
- School Library
- PE hall with attached Kitchen-Servery and attached Male and Female toilets
- Secretary's Office
- Principal's Office
- Parents' Room
- Staffroom
- Adult toilets on each floor
- Disabled Toilet on each floor
- Shower room on each floor
- 3 basketball courts play area
- Lift
- Phone in each classroom for contact with the office
- Touchscreen interactive boards in all classrooms.
- Internet and wifi throughout the building
- Dual boiler system-if one breaks down, the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Boiler kicks in.
- Car park and set down areas.
- CCTV to cover entrances. This is to be extended to the play areas.
- All new furniture.
- All new classroom laptops.
- All door signs are in English, Irish and Braille (for visually challenged people)
- Assistive Listening Devices in Main Entrance and PE Hall for people who use hearing aids.(i.e. Hearing aids will automatically pick up sound from a built-in microphone)
- Acoustic panelling in classrooms and PE Hall to lower noise.

## **Special Needs Unit**

- The 'Unit' has 2 classrooms
- 2 withdrawal rooms; (used for 'time outs'.)
- Multi-sensory room
- Para-education room(for Occupational Therapist, etc.)
- Dedicated Office
- Separate entrance
- Multi-sensory garden
- Indoor play area
- Outdoor play area-picnic with bouncy surface