Hello Friends,

This Newsletter marks our project’s second year in existence. In the last 24 months we have developed and created our innovative toolkit that will help support school leaders, school staff, and policymakers to engage in shared and inclusive decision making. We have begun our one year Implementation Phase in 5 schools in Cyprus, Greece, Ireland, Portugal and Romania. Over the course of the year, each participating partner will collect and evaluate data in order to provide practices and recommendations on how school leaders and policy makers can engage in inclusive decision making in their schools assisted by the iDecide Toolkit.

If you haven’t already, we encourage you to like and share the iDecide Project Facebook page. The page is regularly updated with details of the iDecide Project and how its progressing.

There are also useful links to articles, reports, websites and videos for teachers and school leaders looking to do more to promote inclusive education. From a range of expert sources, we hope that they will become a valuable resource to others in education.

Remember to visit our website if you haven’t yet. On it you will find more detail about the innovative toolkit for schools and the other supports and resources the project team are developing.
November saw the launch of our project’s mobile smartphone and tablet application. The app was developed and designed by our partners Cardet and Innovade from Cyprus. This innovative tool will be used to provide input, polls, voting and suggestions for things to improve within our participating schools and as such has the potential to impact all students.

In an era where the multidimensional usage of smartphones is massive, this innovative information and communication application will increase the penetration of our project outcomes to the wider public and in greater number of our target groups’ members. Parents and students will be able to interact with their school and iDecide through questionnaires and online polls.

The application may be downloaded on the Google Play Store by searching for iDecide.

Project iDecides’s third face to face partner meeting will take place in Ireland at the end of February 2018. As implementation of project iDecide continues in our participating schools this meeting will provide us with a great opportunity to discuss how our project is progressing and plan the next stages.

In the mean time partners will busy themselves preparing an Interim Evaluation Report combining all partner contributions and findings.

All partners at iDecide would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your loved ones a peaceful and prosperous 2018.