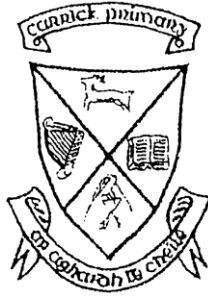


2014-2015
ANNUAL REPORT
of the
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
of
CARRICK PRIMARY
SCHOOL





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Dear Parents

It is with great pleasure that we present this 2014-2015 Annual Report of the Board of Governors of Carrick Primary School, Burren. This report will provide you with a summary of the work of the school during the past year. We invite you to read the report and to contact the Principal if you require any additional information or clarification on any aspect of the Annual Report.

On behalf of the Board of Governors, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your past support and look forward to your continued support and cooperation.

Yours faithfully

Mr Michael Keenan
Chairperson of the Board of Governors

Mrs Anne Cassidy
Principal/ Secretary to the Board of Governors

CARRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL – BURREN

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

2014 – 2018

TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Term of office ends:

Rev. Fr. C. Byrne 2018

Mr Gerard Murdock (Vice Chairman) 2018

Mrs Pauline Sheehan 2018

Mr Declan McAteer 2018

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE

Mr Michael Keenan (Chairman) 2018

SELB REPRESENTATIVES

Mr Kieran Fegan 2018

Mr Seamus Fegan 2018

PARENT REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Naoimh McCarthy 2018

TEACHER REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Eileen Grant 2018

SECRETARY

Mrs Anne Cassidy (Non – Voting Member) 2018

ORGANISATION, DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

The Board of Governors has overall responsibility for the management of the school in keeping with Carrick Primary School's educational philosophy and the requirements of the Department of Education. This includes overseeing the curriculum, admissions, staff appointments, management of school funds and the provision and maintenance of school buildings.

Carrick Primary School
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STAFF 2014-2015

Teaching Complement

Mrs Anne Cassidy	Principal
Mrs Sandra Keenan	P7 Vice Principal
Mr Desie Slevin	P7
Mrs Teresa Taylor	P6
Mrs Kathy Doran	P6
Mrs Anne O'Neill	P5
Mrs Teresa McAufield	P5
Mrs Eileen Grant	P4
Mrs Angeline O'Hare	P4
Mrs Mary McCann	P3
Mrs Patricia McPolin	P3
Mrs Amanda Duffin	P2
Miss Tracey Crawley	P2
Mrs Dympna Clarke	P1
Mrs Claire Kelly	P1
Mrs Nuala Magill	SEN Teacher

Classroom Assistants

Mrs Susan Rice	Mrs Fiona Todd	Mrs Teresa Coulter
Mrs Julie Coulter	Mrs Patricia Lennon	Mrs Roisin Gibney
Miss Kathy Byrne	Mrs Teresa McAnulty	Mrs Leona Loughran
Mrs Denise McKay	Mrs Jayne Medlicott	Miss Jennifer Morgan
Miss Orlaith McArdle	Miss Olivia Haughian	

School Secretaries

Mrs Ursula O'Brien
Mrs Julie Coulter
Mrs Teresa McAnulty

Librarian

Mrs Denise McKay

Caretaker

Mr Patsy Mulholland

Cleaners

Mr Paul Magennis
Mrs Judy McStay
Mrs Aneta Sochalska

Lunch Time Supervisory Assistants

Mrs Judy McStay
Mrs Sandra McStay
Mrs Aneta Sochalska

Crossing Patrol Staff

Mrs Judy McStay

Number of Pupils: 410 (257 families)

School Meals Staff

Cook-in-Charge:	Mr Mark McMahon	
Kitchen Attendants:	Mrs F McCann	Mrs M McCourt
	Mrs M Millar	Mrs C Healy

VISION STATEMENT, MISSION STATEMENT AND SCHOOL AIMS

Vision Statement

Forward Together: “Ar Agháidh le Chéile”.

Mission Statement

In Carrick Primary School we aim to provide a safe, caring and stimulating environment, in which to realise and celebrate the academic and non-academic potential of all our pupils. We expect our pupils to work hard and for parents to assist us in laying the important foundations for future learning.

School Aims

In our school we aim to:

- Create a safe, enjoyable learning environment, in which effective learning is facilitated and quality teaching is provided;
- Implement all aspects of the Northern Ireland Curriculum;
- Help our pupils to develop a positive attitude towards life and a love of learning;
- Value, respect and nurture every child in our care;
- Encourage pupils to respect themselves and others, and to support and care for one another;
- Equip our children with the necessary life skills, to enable them to participate in a fast changing society;
- Develop and strengthen each pupil’s understanding and love of Catholic values, by promoting the Catholic ethos throughout the school; and
- Involve the parents, Board of Governors and wider community in the life of the school, and in the holistic development of the children in our care.

ATTENDANCE

The average pupil attendance in 2014-2015 was 95.89%

SCHOOL LIAISON

Links between the school, the parents and outside agencies were actively promoted during the year as part of the school’s liaison programme.

The Board of Governors commend the excellent fund-raising work of the parent support group, “Friends of Carrick” and thank them sincerely for their support and efforts.

During the Autumn term each parent received an individual invitation to meet his/her child’s class teacher, to discuss the child’s progress. In the school prospectus, we stress to parents that any queries or concerns which they may have about their child’s progress, are welcomed by the staff and will be fully addressed.

We suggest that parents telephone the secretary to make an appointment to meet the teacher they wish to see. Parents will be asked to explain the purpose of the meeting and to leave a telephone number. All interviews, except in emergency cases, will take place between 3.00pm and 4.00pm on Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays. We pride ourselves on our “Open Door” policy and thank parents for their continued cooperation and support.

In December 2014, parents were invited to attend a number of school and this proved to be very successful with great attendances at all the events. The Christmas assemblies and plays were excellent productions and members of staff are to be complimented for the time, energy and patience spent in ensuring that the children performed so well and with such obvious enjoyment.

SCHOOL EVENTS AND SCHOOL TRIPS

The Governors would like to thank those parents and members of the community who provided voluntary coaching for the pupils, those parents who helped with transport to sporting and other events and those who helped with supervision on various school trips.

A number of school trips and school events were planned during the year. These were arranged to help the pupils to have a more practical knowledge of the curriculum and to provide pupils with enjoyable and social experiences.

School Events 2014-2015

Safety Workshops (PSNI)	September 2014 – May 2015
Canon Esler Gaelic Football Competition (Winners of the Canon Esler Cup)	September 2014-October 2014
First Confession	November 2014
Indoor Gaelic Football Competitions (Boys and Girls) (Winners of Boys’ Co Down Indoor Competition)	November 2014
Anti-Bullying Week	November 2014
Road Safety Week	November 2014
Christmas Mass and Concerts	December 2014
Personal Development and Mutual Understanding Talks (P7)	January 2015- February 2015
Credit Union Quiz (P6 Winners)	February 2015
Road Safety Assemblies	February 2015
PSNI’s CASE Programme Events	February 2015– May 2015
Preparation for Communion (Community Masses)	Terms 2 & 3

Preparation for Confirmation (Community Masses)	Terms 2 & 3
Confirmation	March 2015
Communion	May 2015
St Louis Annual Tournament (Winners)	May 2015
Boys' GAA Football League (Winners)	Term 3 2015
Preparation for Life Talks (P7)	May 2015
P.7 Quiz (organised by Friends of Carrick)	June 2015
Leavers' Mass	June 2015

Foundation Stage and Key Stage One School Trips 2014-2015

Class/Teacher	Term I	Term II	Term III
P1 Mrs Kelly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn Walk • Winter Walk • Spring Walk • Summer Walk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fort Evergreen
P1 Mrs Clarke	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn Walk • Winter Walk • Spring Walk • Summer Walk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fort Evergreen
P2 Mrs Duffin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn Walk • Winter Walk • Spring Walk • Summer Walk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slieve Gullion
P2 Miss Crawley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn Walk • Winter Walk • Spring Walk • Summer Walk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slieve Gullion
P3 Mrs McPolin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bug Hunt in School Grounds • Bagenal's Castle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime • Buildings in Locality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bowling Alley/Cheeky Monkeys
P3 Mrs McCann	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bug Hunt in School Grounds • Bagenal's Castle • Farm to fork trials in Tesco, Newry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime • Buildings in Locality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bowling Alley/Cheeky Monkeys

P4 Mrs O'Hare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bagenal's Castle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime • Palace Stables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Station and Cinema
P4 Mrs Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bagenal's Castle • Mini beast hunt, Village Green 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime • Palace Stables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Station and Cinema

Key Stage Two School Trips September 2014- June 2015

Class/Teacher	Term I	Term II	Term III
P5 Mrs McAufield	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palace Stables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House • Swimming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funtasia, Drogheda
P5 Mrs O'Neill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palace Stables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House • Swimming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funtasia, Drogheda
P6 Mrs Taylor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming • Waterworks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House • Lisburn Swimming Pool
P6 Mrs Doran	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming • Waterworks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House • Lisburn Swimming Pool
P7 Mrs Keenan		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime • Armagh Planetarium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town lands Walk • Swimming • Castlewellan Outdoor Pursuits
P7 Mr Slevin		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Opera House Pantomime • Armagh Planetarium 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town lands Walk • Swimming • Castlewellan Outdoor Pursuits

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The new Carrick Primary School opened in September 2012 and we are delighted with the new building and its state of the art facilities. The school's caretaker and staff maintain a very high standard of cleaning and are diligent about attending to ongoing maintenance issues.

Each year the Governors carry out a Risk Assessment report on the premises and this is submitted to the Education Authority. The Principal works closely with the Maintenance Officer to ensure that all issues are addressed.

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

A number of our pupils participated in various extra curricular activities.

Four teams took part in the Credit Union Quiz. A number of Primary 7 pupils also took part in a Science and Technology competition in St Louis Grammar School and won a certificate for their efforts.

All of the classes participated in concerts and assemblies in 2014-2015. These were excellent productions and great credit is due to all staff and pupils for their hard work and to the parents for their ongoing support.

WARRENPOINT FEIS WINNERS Term 2 2015

Music Section

<u>Class</u>	<u>1st Place</u>	<u>2nd Place</u>	<u>3rd Place</u>	<u>Very Highly Commended</u>	<u>Highly Commended</u>
Boys and Girls Solo Singing in P7	Emma McArdle	Katie White			Aoife Fearon Tiarna Mussen Brigie Murphy
Upper String in P7		Aoife Fearon			Katie White
Lower String in P6/7		Lorelei Coyle	James Grant Oisin Ruane		

Overall Awards

Best Solo Performance in P7 “ Desmond McCaughey Memorial Cup” – Emma McArdle

Speech Section

<u>Class</u>	<u>1st Place</u>	<u>2nd Place</u>	<u>3rd Place</u>	<u>Very Highly Commended</u>	<u>Highly Commended</u>
<u>Mrs Clarke</u> <u>P1</u>		Ella Murphy	Eoin Doyle	Aoife Gaffney Meabh McAllister Leah McGinnis-Farrell	
<u>Mrs Kelly</u> <u>P1</u>			Ava Franklenn Ollie Millar	Maria Mcstay Cameron Moore Cillian Ward	

<u>Mrs Duffin</u> <u>P2</u>		Patrick Mc Allister Joe Mc Govern Lauren Mc Loughlin Grace Kelly	Dylan Kelly Chloe Doyle Larissa Gaffney		
<u>Miss</u> <u>Crawley</u> <u>P2</u>	Erin Curran		Brendan Ryan		Oisín Rooney
<u>Mrs</u> <u>McPolin/Mr</u> <u>Keenan</u> <u>P3</u>	Katie Fitzpatrick		Matthew Blair Jackson Coyle		Dylan Cunningham Ronan Lynch Caolan Serridge
<u>Mrs McCann</u> <u>P3</u>		Niall Macauley	Eve McCann		
<u>Mrs O'Hare</u> <u>P4</u>		Amelia Magee	Lorcan Gaffney Daire Carvill		Shona McAteer Anna Magill Adam Downey
<u>Mrs Grant</u> <u>P4</u>	Jake Mc Cabe	Sean Ryan	Harry Mc Ardle		Daisy Rooney Grace Price Niall Howlett
<u>Mrs O'Neill</u> <u>P5</u>			Chodhna Curtis Odhran Keown		Oran Murney John Duffin
<u>Mrs</u> <u>McAfield</u> <u>P5</u>	Odhrán Macauley	Zoe Mc Cabe	Conall Mc Kinley Carys White Laura Mc Polin		Donagh Murdock Ruby Magill Eva Murdock
<u>Mrs Taylor</u> <u>P6</u>	Ellie-Mae McCann	Laura McAteer	Erin Lundy Rachel Kelly		Joe McLoughlin Jenna McMahan
<u>Mrs Doran</u> <u>P6</u>	Connla Gaffney				Roman Medicott Bryan McCabe
<u>Mr Slevin</u> <u>P7</u>					Matthew Duffy John Magee
<u>Mrs Keenan</u> <u>P7</u>		David Fegan Emma McArdle	Karl Fitzpatrick		Emily Magee Aoife Mc Grath Rhian Boal

Overall Awards

Best Primary Three Overall – Katie Fitzpatrick
 Best Primary Four Overall – Jake McCabe
 Best Primary Five Overall- Odhran Macauley
 Best Primary Six Overall – Connla Gaffney
 Best Primary Six – Second – Ellie-Mae McCann
 Best Primary Six Competitor – Connla Gaffney

SPORTING EVENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The pupils enjoyed much success in a wide and varied sports programme during the 2014-2015 year. The programme of events included:

- Cross Country P4 – P7 (Best Overall School);
- Ulster Swimming Competition (Ballymena Pool) ;
- Canon Esler Cup – Football Championship (Winners);
- Indoor Football Competition (Girls – Winners);
- Indoor Football Competition (Boys – Winners);
- Indoor Hurling and Camogie Competitions (Cumann na mBunscol);
- Feile Hurling – (Division B Winners)

- St Louis Annual 7-a-side Gaelic football Tournament (Winners)
- Football League (Cumann na mBunscol - Winners);
- Swimming for P.5, P.6 and P.7 (1 term each);
- Sports Day;
- Tennis Coaching Programme;
- Winners of Irish Dancing Trophies (Warrenpoint Feis 2015);
- Participation in Hurling and Football Representative Matches and Skills Competitions; and
- Soccer Coaching Programme.

Carrick Primary School
Class Awards 2015

Class	Maths	English	WAU	Best Girl	Best Boy	Outstanding Effort
Mrs Clarke P1	Oliver Curtis	Meabh McAllister	Aoife Gaffney	Leah McGinnis-Farell	Odhran Trainor	Kai Mooney
Mrs Kelly P1	Charlie Small	Emma-Rose Bradley	Ferdia Sherry	Naoise Grant	Ryan Murney	Molly Casey, Eoin Coulter
Mrs Duffin P2	Lauren McLoughlin	Chloe Doyle	Robyn O'Hare	Anna Toner	Joe McGovern	Senan Rogan, Daithi Fitzpatrick, Grace Kelly
Miss Crawley P2	Ben Downey	Molly Medlicott	Daniel Loy	Clodagh Lundy	Ben Small	Nicole Gajda
Mrs McPolin P3	Luca Jandoli	Caoimhe Ward	Nathan Murphy	Erin McGivern	Eoin Trainor	Caolan Serridge & Lauren McSwiggan
Mrs McCann P3	Daire Trainor	Caoimhe Mackle	Charlie Denner	Laura Doyle	Luke Cunningham	Erin Rooney
Mrs Grant P4	Isaac McLoughlin	Katie Cunningham	Oisín Gambold	Abbie McShane	Cathal McKibben	Mia Murney, Kelsi Gaffney
Mrs O'Hare P4	Maebh Sherry	Keeva Fitzpatrick	Daire Carvill	Shona McAteer	Sean Gormley	Oliver Magee & Eoin McGivern
Mrs O'Neill P5	Laura O'Hanlon	Mia Lawless	Ronan Doyle	Amy Stephen	Oran Murney,	Naoise McGreevy, Callum Giles, Ellie Dalton
Mrs McAufield P5	Oran McManus	Carys White	Jack Clarke	Zoe McCabe	Jonathan Braham	Emma Ryan & Nicole McKay
Mrs Doran P6	Niamh McGreevy	Jude Rooney	Declan Irwin	Sarah Fitzpatrick	Roman Medlicott	Rory McGivern, Shea Maney, Eve Byrne

Mrs Taylor P6	Molly Murdock	Daniel Shields	Joe McLoughlin	Ellie-Mae McCann	Shea Stephen	Aine Sherry, Rachel Magee, Teagan Harbinson.
Mrs Keenan P7	Niamh McKibben	Clara McKay	Eva Sloan	Ellie Murdock	Dara Fitzpatrick	Aoife McGrath, Jack McSwiggan, James McCartan, Enda Maguire, Karl Fitzpatrick
Mr Slevin P7	Ellen McGovern	Aoife Fearon	Brigie Murphy	Shannon Farrell	Micheal Ward	Liam O'Connor, Bruce Deary

P4 Girl (Mrs Hanna) – Aine Keohane
P4 Boy (Mrs Hanna) – Harry McArdle
P5 Girl (Mrs Hanna) – Kelly Farrell
P5 Boy (Mrs Hanna) – Ronan Glymond Magill

P6 Sports Cup (Boy) (Mr Murdock) – Eoin Loughran

P6 Sports Cup (Girl) (Mr Murdock) – Katie Howlett

Music Statuettes (Mrs McAufield) – Emma McArdle and Matthew Duffy

Mrs Loughran Award – Oisín Ruane

Science Statuette (Mrs McKeown) – Emily Magee

Mrs Harty Award (Overall Best Boy) – James Duggan

Mrs Harty Award (Overall Best Girl) – Seaфра McKinley

Patsy McArdle Cup - Aaron Cole

Carrick Council – Sarah Fitzpatrick, Ben Ward, Anna Magill, Eve Elmore, Eoin Garvey, David Fegan, Emily Magee, Liam O'Connor, Ellen McGovern, Eva Murdock, Callum Giles, Lorelei Coyle

Outstanding Effort Awards

Mrs Magill – Niamh Treanor (P.2), Pearse Cunningham (P.3), Caitlin Ryan (P.4)
Rory Trainor (P.4), Sean Fitzpatrick (P.5), Lena Cendrowska (P.5)
Kieran Casey (P.6), Sean McMahan (P.7)), Dara Hickey (7)

Dinner Hall Good Manners: Shannon Casey, Shannon Farrell, Anton McKay, Molly Davis, Sinead Keohane

Assembly Hall: Clíodhna Curtis and Eimear Cassidy

Outstanding Effort Mrs O'Brien and Mrs McAnulty– Tiarnan Kelly, Anna Magill,
Classroom Assistants: Aoife McGrath, Laura McPolin

Mrs Cassidy's Outstanding Effort awards: Harry Magill, Lucy Kean, Laura McAteer.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING

We try to foster in our children continuing respect for themselves and for others, especially those less privileged than themselves, for the sick, the elderly and those of differing religious persuasions. Under the Personal Development and Mutual Understanding programme we are continuing to endeavour to enhance relationships both within the school and with other primary and secondary schools for the mutual benefit of all those concerned.

RESULTS

In June 2015 the results of the End of Key Stage Assessments of P4 and P7 children from Carrick, compared with Northern Ireland averages were as follows:

End of Key Stage 1: Communication

	Within Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Carrick Primary School	0%	5%	56%	39%
N.I. Average	2%	9%	70%	19%

End of Key Stage 1: Using Mathematics

	Within Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Carrick Primary School	0%	2%	59%	39%
N.I. Average	2%	8%	72%	18%

End of Key Stage 2: Communication

	Level 2 or Below	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Carrick Primary School	0%	21%	42%	37%
N.I. Average	6%	17%	60%	17%

End of Key Stage 2: Using Mathematics

	Level 2 or Below	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Carrick Primary School	0%	16%	48%	36%
N.I. Average	5%	17%	55%	23%

CLASS STRUCTURE 2014-2015

	Class	Number of Pupils
Mrs Dympna Clarke	P1	30
Mrs Claire Kelly	P1	30
Miss Tracey Crawley	P2	29
Mrs Amanda Duffin	P2	30

Mrs Mary McCann	P3	25
Mrs Patricia McPolin	P3	24
Mrs Eileen Grant	P4	32
Mrs Angeline O'Hare	P4	32
Mrs Anne O'Neill	P5	31
Mrs Teresa McAufield	P5	31
Mrs Teresa Taylor	P6	27
Mrs Kathy Doran	P6	27
Mr Desmond Slevin	P7	31
Mrs Sandra Keenan	P7	31
Total Number of Pupils		410

INSERVICE TRAINING

In-Service training is an entitlement in the professional development of teachers and staff. We recognise the importance of empowering members of staff with the skills and knowledge required for the effective delivery of the school's curriculum, particularly when implementing the Northern Ireland Curriculum.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS AND BAKER DAYS

The ten School Development Days and Baker Days which were taken in 2014-2015 were used for the purposes of whole-school development. They were strategically linked to the priorities, as identified within the School Development Plan and involved teaching and non-teaching staff, where appropriate. The focus on these days included: Raising Standards, Literacy Training (Guided Writing and Comprehension), Numeracy Training (Shape, Space and Measures), ICT Training and Rights Respecting School Training.

POLICIES

Schools are obliged to have policies in place covering a wide range of areas relating to the functioning of the school. These policies are available for inspection in the school. School policies are reviewed regularly and subject/area co-ordinators monitor the development of schemes of work, half termly plans and evaluations.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Under the Health and Safety at Work Act (1974) the school accepts that it has a responsibility to take all reasonable and practicable steps to ensure the health, safety and security of pupils, staff and others using the school premises or participating in school activities.

The aim of the school is to provide a safe and healthy working and learning environment for staff, pupils and visitors. The school will take all reasonable steps to identify and reduce hazards to a minimum through the Board of Governors, the Principal, the staff and external agents/agencies.

The Principal and Board of Governors have liaised with the PSNI's Schools' and Community Safety Officer and Road Safety Officers, in relation to road safety.

The Board of Governors and Principal appreciate that the health, safety and security of all staff and pupils is their responsibility. The Principal and a member of the Board of Governors, carry out a detailed Health and Safety Risk Assessment in Term 3 each year.

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

Special Educational Needs provision within Carrick is based upon the Code of Practice for the Identification and Assessment of Special Needs and is in accordance with the Education (NI) Order and Article 18 of the SENDO 2005 Order.

SEN Register: 2014-2015

Stage on Register	Number of Pupils	%
Stage 1	6	10
Stage 2	29	48
Stage 3	21	35
Stage 4	1	2
Stage 5 (Statemented Pupils)	3	5
Total	60	100%

Carrick Primary School makes effective and efficient use of all support services. Close liaison is maintained with parents, the Educational Psychologist, Therapists, the Children's Order Team (SELB), Speech and Language Intervention Services, Pupil Personal Development Services and other Support Services, to ensure that children with Special Educational Needs can achieve their full potential. In accordance with the Code of Practice, a Special Educational Needs Register is maintained. Extra support sessions were provided in 2014-2015 for children with Special Educational Needs in Maths, English, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language and Auditory Processing.

NUMERACY PARTNERSHIP AND READING PARTNERSHIP

In 2014-2015 a number of pupils participated in the Numeracy Partnership Programme and in the Reading Partnership Programme. The evaluations which were completed by parents, by pupils and by staff members were very positive about the programmes and were complimentary about the effectiveness of the tutors involved: Numeracy Partnership – Mrs F Todd, Reading Partnership - Mrs P Lennon, Mrs T Coulter and Miss K Byrne.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS IN 2014-2015

- Newry Lions £415.50
- Coffee Morning for Hospice £180.00
- Rotary Club's Christmas Shoe Box Appeal: 150 boxes donated
- Trocaire Boxes £830
- (Mr Stan Lutton) £100

PASTORAL CARE

The Children's Order (NI) 1995 and subsequent directives of 1999, 2003 and most recently 2006, state that the, "welfare of the child must be the paramount consideration". This principle underpins our Child Protection and Pastoral Care Policies and therefore we must always act in the best welfare interests of the child. In accordance with the Department of Education's requirements, Mrs Teresa Taylor served as our Designated Child Protection

Teacher, during 2014-2015, with Mrs Claire Kelly and Mrs Patricia McPolin acting in a deputy capacity. In the School Development Plan, “Pastoral Care: Policy into Practice” continued to be a key focus during 2014-2015. Mrs Taylor, Co-ordinator for Pastoral Care, led a range of Pastoral Care initiatives at both staff and pupil level.

CHILD PROTECTION

Carrick Primary School is fully committed to the care and protection of all the children in its care. Our aim is to protect our pupils by ensuring that all those working in the school, teachers, non-teaching staff, coaches and volunteers, have clear guidance on the inter-agency management of situations where abuse or neglect of a child is suspected. In all their contact with pupils, the staff in Carrick Primary School will follow the guidelines and procedures described in the DENI publication, ‘Pastoral Care in Schools – Child Protection’ (1999).

The Designated Teacher for Child Protection was Mrs Taylor.

In her absence Mrs Kelly and/or Mrs McPolin assumed responsibility as Deputy Designated Teachers. The Designated Governors for Child Protection are Fr Byrne, Mr Keenan, Mrs P Sheehan and Mrs A Cassidy. The children are reminded regularly, at assembly and in class, to consult with the Principal, Designated Teacher or any other member of staff, if they have a concern about their own welfare/safety or the welfare/safety of another student.

EXTRA – CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

In Carrick Primary School we are aware of the significant contribution that extra – curricular activities and sport make to the life of the school and to the holistic development of our pupils. In 2014-2015 the staff of Carrick Primary School made a concerted effort to improve the range of extra-curricular activities offered and to actively encourage pupil participation.

After –School Clubs provided in 2014-2015 included:

Choir	Cycling Proficiency
Camogie	Boys’ Football
Hurling	Tennis
Girls’ Football	Irish Dancing
Soccer	Maths and English Club
HipHop	Art

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education series Alive-O forms the basis of the school’s Religious Programme. Its central aim is to foster faith and develop the children’s relationship with God. The title Alive-O reflects one of the main aims of Religious Education, namely to enable people to become fully alive to the presence of God in themselves, in others, in the Church and in the world around them. Jesus constantly tried to raise people’s awareness of the connectedness of life. Through a variety of images and themes, the children are helped to realise that all things are linked by and to our creator. The Alive-O series seeks to be a source of spiritual nourishment to staff as well as pupils. It places particular emphasis on prayer, especially quiet meditative prayer. As a worshipping school community, we celebrate special events and days in the Liturgical Year, as well as religious feasts. We pray and sing together each Monday and Wednesday at the Assemblies. Fundamentally, staff and children seek to live out the Catholic Faith as a school community, by working together and caring for one another, in a way which is respectful of each other’s needs.

SHOEBOX APPEAL

In 2014-2015 the children brought in over 150 shoe boxes for the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoebox Appeal. The children viewed a DVD which showed the distribution of the shoeboxes, which had been donated as part of the previous Campaigns.

TOKEN COLLECTION

In 2014-2015, the school collected Sainsbury's Active Kids Tokens, and Irish News Tokens and consequently requisitioned a wide range of excellent resources for the benefit of the pupils. The school's efforts were advertised in the local bulletin and numerous tokens were sent in to the school from local people. We are extremely grateful for this community support.

UNIFORM

The appearance of our pupils is an important aspect of the school's image and pupils are actively encouraged by all staff to adhere to all aspects of our school uniform. Pupils change into their PE uniform for PE lessons.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The School Development Plan maps the key issues to be addressed by the school over a three year period. The School Development Plan is reviewed annually and copies are available from the secretary's office. Parents are provided on an annual basis with a summary of the priorities within the School Development Plan.

STRATEGIES FOR LEARNING, TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

Each subject area is planned and delivered in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Northern Ireland Curriculum. The Northern Ireland Literacy Framework forms the basis of our Literacy Programme while our Mathematics Programme mirrors the Northern Ireland Numeracy Strategy. Priorities on the School Development Plan inform the work of the Co-ordinators. Co-ordinators prepare 1 Year and 3 Year Action Plans which map out the priorities and areas of work to be developed. These 1 Year and 3 Year plans are monitored, evaluated and reviewed. Teachers plan and evaluate their work on a half termly basis and also on a short term basis. Co-ordinators and the Principal monitor teachers' planning and evaluations and provide feedback where necessary.

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

The assessment of each pupil's progress is an essential aspect of any good teaching and learning programme and the monitoring and evaluation process is a key responsibility for teachers, for coordinators, for the school's Leadership Team and for the Governors. In Carrick, we assess and report to parents using a wide range of approaches. In the Autumn Term, parents are invited to meet with their child's teacher on a one-to-one basis to discuss each child's progress. These meetings are informed: by NILA and NINA standardised test results, by PiE and PiM standardised test results; by NRIT results; by half-termly results; by homeworks; by information from the parent and from the child's previous teacher(s); and by observations of the child in class. Annual Reports are sent home at the end of each academic year and a Record of Achievement is presented to Primary Seven pupils at the end of their primary school ears, to mark their transition to secondary education.

A variety of summative and formative assessment methods are employed from Primary 1-7. More details of these are provided in the school's Assessment Policy. Formal assessment procedures include: End of Key Stage 1 Assessments (Primary Four) and End of Key Stage 2 Assessments (Primary Seven); NRIT Tests; PiE and PiM Tests; Transfer Test; NILA (P4-7) and NINA (P4-7) Tests; and Half-Termly Tests (P2-P7). These results provide information for teachers and for parents about the children's academic progress. The Assessment Co-ordinator provides relevant assessment information to the Leadership Team, to the Data Team and to the Governors who analyse the data. This information is gathered on a regular basis and involves:

- Analysis and interpretation of PiE, PiM, NILA, NINA and NRIT Test Results;
- Tracking of children's progress from year to year in Literacy and Numeracy using NRIT, NILA, NINA, PiE and PiM Standardised Test Results;
- Testing the children in English, Maths and Science on a half-termly basis; (P2-7);
- Target setting in each class in Literacy and Numeracy using a range of data, including PiE, PiM, NRIT, NILA, NINA End of Key Stage Results and Benchmarking Data as supplied by the Department of Education;
- Regular monitoring and sampling of children's work across the curriculum; and
- Advice and guidance to staff on marking for improvement and the use of summative and formative assessment.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND STAFF

The school maintains close links with St Mark's High School, Our Lady's Grammar School, Sacred Heart Grammar School, St Colman's College, St Louis Grammar School and the Abbey Grammar School to ensure the smooth, easy transfer of our pupils from Carrick to post – primary education. Teachers from these schools visit Carrick annually to talk to staff and to our P7 pupils. Pupils from these schools spent some time in Carrick on work experience and six students completed teaching practice in Carrick in 2014-2015. Close links with other primary schools are maintained to ensure that there is a sharing of good practice, training and expertise across many areas of the curriculum. We also had visits from many external agents e.g. Recycling Officers, Environmental Officers, Road Safety Officers and Community Involvement Officers (PSNI).

SCHOOL COUNCIL

During 2014-2015 the School Council played a very active role in the life of the school. The Councillors who represented all the classes in the school, worked hard to improve the school, its facilities and resources.

ECO SCHOOLS

In 2014-2015 the ECO Council (Carrick Council) developed several "green" projects, including the Healthy Eating Project, Anti Litter Project and Recycling Project.

FRIENDS OF CARRICK

During 2014-2015 the Friends of Carrick continued to organise fundraising and social events. In Term 1 of 2014-2015 the committee presented the school with a cheque for £4000, which enabled the school to purchase a range of PE/sports resources, games and literacy resources. A sincere word of gratitude and thanks must go to our parents and to our fund raising committee members for their tireless efforts to raise extra money for the school throughout the year.

CONCLUSION

Parents must be commended for their support and loyalty to the school and to the staff members.

The Board of Governors of Carrick Primary School would also like to take this opportunity to express their thanks and appreciation to the Principal and staff of the school (teaching and non teaching), for both their high level of commitment and for the high standards achieved during the 2014-2015 academic year.

Pupils who received Holy Communion 2014-2015

<i>Melissa Bradley</i>	<i>Shea Begley</i>
<i>Zoe Byrne</i>	<i>Rhys Berger</i>
<i>Searlait Collins</i>	<i>Darragh Burns</i>
<i>Katie Cunningham</i>	<i>Daire Carville</i>
<i>Leo Furlong</i>	<i>Cai Cole</i>
<i>Kelsi Gaffney</i>	<i>Adam Downey</i>
<i>Oisín Gambold</i>	<i>Anna Downey</i>
<i>Siomha Harbinson</i>	<i>Sarah Drummond</i>
<i>Niall Howlett</i>	<i>Connor Fearon</i>
<i>Oisín Maney</i>	<i>Keeva Fitzpatrick</i>
<i>Kate Mansfield</i>	<i>Lorcan Gaffney</i>
<i>Harry McArdle</i>	<i>Seán Gormley</i>
<i>Jake McCabe</i>	<i>Ben Grant</i>
<i>Cian McCartan</i>	<i>Amy Irwin</i>
<i>Lillie McClorey</i>	<i>Emily Keenan</i>
<i>Cathal McKibben</i>	<i>Lucy Kelly</i>
<i>Sean McKibben</i>	<i>Áine Keohane</i>
<i>Isaac McLoughlin</i>	<i>Amelia Magee</i>
<i>Lucas McMahon</i>	<i>Oliver Magee</i>
<i>Mary-Kate McMahon</i>	<i>Anna Magill</i>
<i>Odhran McMeel</i>	<i>Kayleigh Maguire</i>
<i>Abbie McShane</i>	<i>Shona McAteer</i>
<i>Mia Murney</i>	<i>Megan McCabe</i>
<i>Tiernan Palmer</i>	<i>Eve McCarron</i>
<i>Grace Price</i>	<i>Eoin McGivern</i>
<i>Corey Quinn</i>	<i>Eibhleann Moore</i>
<i>Daisy Rooney</i>	<i>Maebh Sherry</i>
<i>Luca Rooney</i>	<i>Hannah Sloan</i>
<i>Caitlín Ryan</i>	<i>Emma Stephen</i>
<i>Sean Ryan</i>	<i>Charley Jo Woods-O'Hanlon</i>
<i>Tiarnan Serridge</i>	<i>Rory Trainor</i>
<i>Ben Ward</i>	

Pupils who received Confirmation 2014-2015

<i>Rhian Boal</i>	<i>John Cox</i>
<i>Aaron Cole</i>	<i>Amy Cunningham</i>
<i>James Duggan</i>	<i>Bruce Deery</i>
<i>David Fegan</i>	<i>Matthew Duffy</i>
<i>Dara Fitzpatrick</i>	<i>Eve Elmore</i>
<i>Fionna Fitzpatrick</i>	<i>Shannon Farrell</i>
<i>Karl Fitzpatrick</i>	<i>Aoife Fearon</i>
<i>Jack Flynn</i>	<i>Matthew Giles</i>
<i>Eoin Garvey</i>	<i>James Grant</i>
<i>Matthew Grant</i>	<i>Lucy Kean</i>
<i>Dara Hickey</i>	<i>Tiarnan Kelly</i>
<i>Ryan Higgins</i>	<i>Leigh Mackle</i>
<i>Anna Kelly</i>	<i>John Magee</i>
<i>Ronan Kelly</i>	<i>Harry Magill</i>
<i>Orlaith Lynch</i>	<i>Shea McAteer</i>
<i>Emily Magee</i>	<i>Ciaran McDermott</i>
<i>Enda Maguire</i>	<i>Ellen McGovern</i>
<i>Emma McArdle</i>	<i>Anton McKay</i>
<i>James McCartan</i>	<i>James McKibben</i>
<i>Ross McGivern</i>	<i>Seaфра McKinley</i>
<i>Aoife McGrath</i>	<i>Evan McLoughlin</i>
<i>Clara McKay</i>	<i>James McMahan</i>
<i>Eoin McKenna</i>	<i>Sean McMahan</i>
<i>Niamh McKibben</i>	<i>Brigie Murphy</i>
<i>Tom McShane</i>	<i>Clíodhna Murphy</i>
<i>Jack McSwiggan</i>	<i>Tiarna Mussen</i>
<i>Ellie Murdock</i>	<i>Liam O'Connor</i>
<i>Zach Murdock</i>	<i>Thomas O'Hare</i>
<i>Molly Murphy</i>	<i>Oisín Ruane</i>
<i>Eva Sloan</i>	<i>Míchéal Ward</i>
<i>Katie White</i>	<i>Katie Hannah White</i>

Carrick Primary School
Financial Information

The money made available to the Board of Governors by the Southern Education and Library Board for 2014-2015:

	£
School's Budget Allocation	£1,043,031
Carry over from 2013-2014	£43,310
Net Expenditure 2014-2015	£1, 059140

Balance carried forward to April 2015 £ 27201

School Fund Account
September 2014- September 2015

Income	£
Balance at 1st September 2014	£7216
School Fees	£2450
Friends of Carrick	£4000
Photographs	£250
Miscellaneous	£95
Total Income	£6795
Expenses	
Photographs	£460
Awards/Sports Day	£560
Staff Development	£940
Classroom Resources	£825
Bank Charges	£450
Miscellaneous	
School Trips	£705
Library Resources for Classes	£245
Reading Books	£947
Office Supplies	£950
Total Expenditure	6082
Balance at 1st September 2015	7929