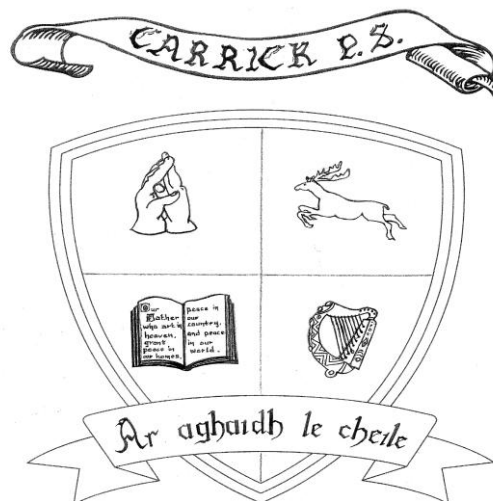


2015-2016  
ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
of  
CARRICK PRIMARY  
SCHOOL





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Dear Parents

It is with great pleasure that we present this 2015-2016 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

EA REPRESENTATIVES

Mr Kieran Fegan 2018

Mr Seamus Fegan 2018

PARENT REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Niamh 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**  
**Telephone: 028 417 52448**  
**STAFF 2015-2016**

**Teaching Complement**

Mrs Anne Cassidy	Principal
Mrs Sandra Keenan	P7 Vice Principal
Mr Desie Slevin	P7
Mr David Keenan	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 Medicott	
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:** 406 ( 256 families)

**School Meals Staff**

<b>Cook-in-Charge:</b>	Mr Mark McMahon	
<b>Kitchen Attendants:</b>	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;
- Endorse the United Nations’ Convention on the Rights of the Child and work towards the implementation of policies and practices which reflect the Convention; 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 2015-2016 was 96.2%

### 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.

During 2015-2016, parents were invited to attend a number of school events 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 give the pupils a more practical knowledge of the curriculum and to provide pupils with enjoyable and social experiences.

#### School Events 2015-2016

Canon Esler Gaelic Football Competition (Winners)	September 2015
First Confession	November 2015
Indoor Gaelic Football Competitions (Boys and Girls) (Winners)	November 2015-April 2016
Anti-Bullying Week	November 2015
Road Safety Week	November 2015
Christmas Mass and Concerts	December 2015
Credit Union Quiz	February 2016
Road Safety Assemblies	February 2016
Good Manners Week	February 2016
Preparation for Communion (Community Masses)	Terms 2 & 3 2015-2016
Preparation for Confirmation (Community Masses)	Terms 2 & 3 2015-2016
Healthy Eating Week	March 2016
Confirmation	April 2016

Friendship Week	April 2016
Communion	May 2016
Good Language Week	May 2016
St Louis Annual Tournament	May 2016
Boys' GAA Football League (Winners)	Term 3 2015-2016
Preparation for Life Talks (P7)	May 2016
Cross Country Event in Kilbroney (Best Overall School)	May 2016
Rights Respecting Week	May 2016
Moving On, Moving Up (EWO Programme)	May 2016
P.7 Quiz (organised by Friends of Carrick)	June 2016
Leavers' Mass	June 2016
St Paul's Gaelic Football Tournament (Winners)	June 2016
Connor McConville Gaelic Football Tournament (Winners)	June 2016
Canon Esler Gaelic Football Competition (Winners)	June 2016

**Foundation Stage and Key Stage One School Trips 2015-2016**

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

P3 Mrs McCann	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bug Hunt in School Grounds</li> <li>• Bagenal's Castle</li> <li>• Farm to Fork Trip to Tesco, Newry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House Pantomime</li> <li>• Buildings in Locality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bowling Alley/Cheeky Monkeys</li> </ul>
P4 Mrs O'Hare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bagenal's Castle</li> <li>• Mini beast hunt, Village Green</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House Pantomime</li> <li>• Palace Stables</li> <li>• Homes and Homes walk in the locality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Station and Cinema</li> </ul>
P4 Mrs Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bagenal's Castle</li> <li>• Mini beast hunt, Village Green</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House Pantomime</li> <li>• Palace Stables</li> <li>• Homes and Homes walk in the locality</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Station and Cinema</li> </ul>

### Key Stage Two School Trips September 2015- June 2016

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



## 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 2015-2016. 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 2015-2016

#### Music Section

<u>Class</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Place</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</u>	<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</u>	<u>Very Highly Commended</u>	<u>Highly Commended</u>
Upper Strings in P7	Connla Gaffney			Megan Murphy Olivia Sloan	Roman Medlicott
Lower Strings in P6/7		Lorelei Coyle	Molly Davis		

#### Overall Awards

#### Speech Section

<u>Class</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Place</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</u>	<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</u>	<u>Very Highly Commended</u>	<u>Highly Commended</u>
<u>Mrs Clarke</u> <u>P1</u>		Orla Byrne	Amy McManus	Annie Fitzgerald Cara McKinley	
<u>Mrs Kelly</u> <u>P1</u>	Darcie Blair James O'Hare	Eimear Treanor Lauryn Quinn	Mhyrren Hughes Molly McGrath		
<u>Mrs Duffin</u> <u>P2</u>	Mathew McKinney				Danny Byrne Jamie Mc Cabe
<u>Miss Crawley</u> <u>P2</u>		Eoin Doyle	Odhran Trainor		Leah McGinnis Farrell Paedar Challinor Ella Murphy Jay Cunningham
<u>Mrs McPolin</u> <u>P3</u>		Fionn McGuinness	Ben Murphy Danny McManus		Tara McGivern Farrah May Morgan

<u>Mrs McCann</u> <u>P3</u>	Lauren McLoughlin		Grace Kelly		Larissa Gaffney Chloe Doyle Matthew Carr Joe McGivern Patrick McAllister Ben Furlong
<u>Mrs O'Hare</u> <u>P4</u>		Matthew Blair	Dylan Cunningham	Erin McGivern Katie Fitzpatrick Ronan Lynch	
<u>Mrs Grant</u> <u>P4</u>	Danny Mc Ferran	Luke Cunningham Niall Macaulay	Joe Mc Govern	Daire Trainor Pearse Cunningham Eve McCann	
<u>Mrs O'Neill</u> <u>P5</u>	Emily Keenan	Shona McAteer	Adam Downey Hannah Sloan Amy Irwin Eibhleann Moore		Keeva Fitzpatrick Lucy Kelly Sean Gormley
<u>Mrs McAufield</u> <u>P5</u>		Cian McCartan	Leo Furlong Niall Howlett Jake McCabe		Tiarnan Serridge Odhran McMeel Siomha Harbinson Mary Kate McMahan
<u>Mr Keenan</u> <u>P6</u>		Odhran Keown	Max Coyle		
<u>Mrs Doran</u> <u>P6</u>	Odhran Macauley	Conall McKinley	Grace Somerville James Linden	Eva Murdock Laura McPolin Maisie Clarke Jonathan Braham	
<u>Mr Slevin</u> P7	Ellie Mae McCann		Rachel Magee		Eve McAvoy Laura McAteer Harry McMahan
<u>Mrs Keenan</u> <u>P7</u>			Connla Gaffney		Sarah Fitzpatrick Bryan McCabe

Overall Awards – Ellie Mae McCann Overall P7 Award for Speech & Drama Feis

### SPORTING EVENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The pupils enjoyed much success in a wide and varied sports programme during the 2015-2016 year. The programme of events included:

- Cross Country P4 – P7;
- Ulster Swimming Competition (Ballymena Pool) ;
- All Ireland Swimming Competition (Dublin);
- Canon Esler Cup – Football Championship;
- Boys Indoor Football Competition;
- Girls Indoor Football Competition;
- Indoor Hurling and Camogie Competitions (Cumann na mBunscol);
- Feile Hurling;
- St Louis Annual 7-a-side Gaelic Football Tournament;
- St Paul's Gaelic Football Tournament;
- Connor McConville Gaelic Football Tournament;
- Football League (Cumann na mBunscol);
- Swimming for P.5, P.6 and P.7 (1 term each);

- Sports Day;
- Tennis Coaching Programme and Competition;
- Irish Dancing Competition (Warrenpoint Feis 2016);
- Participation in Hurling and Football Representative Matches and Skills Competitions;
- Soccer Coaching Programme;
- Tennis Coaching Programme; and
- Hip Hop Coaching Programme.

Carrick Primary School  
Class Awards 2016

<b>Class</b>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>English</b>	<b>WAU</b>	<b>Best Girl</b>	<b>Best Boy</b>	<b>Outstanding Effort</b>
Mrs Clarke P1	Dáithí McGovern	Orla Byrne	Seán Óg Doherty	Aoife Collins	Ryan Carragher	Jarlath Braham
Mrs Kelly P1	James Toner	Lauryn Quinn	Ellen McCorrick	Jay Feenan	Mhyrren Hughes	Luke Doherty
Mrs Duffin P2	Frankie Carragher	Fianna McGivern	Cillian McCarthy	Tara Ryan	Matthew McKinney	Aoife Sherry Ava Franklin
Miss Crawley P2	Michael Trainor	Leah McPolin	Jay Cunningham	Jasmine McCarron	Shea Carragher	Annie McManus
Mrs McPolin P3	Callum McGinn-Farrell	Naimh Treanor	Farrah-May Morgan	Nicole Gajda	Ben Downey	Tara McGivern Ben Small Abi Taggart Molly Medlicott
Mrs McCann P3	Cadan Mussen	Grace Kelly	Larissa Gaffney	Sinead Keohane	Sam Murdock	Orla Magill Maddie Campbell Ava McArdle Katie Hourican
Mrs Grant P4	Shea McGrath	Eadaoin Moore	Callum McManus	Clíodhna Mackle	Joe McGovern	Emily O' Hare
Mrs O'Hare P4	Mia Murdock	Molly Garvey	Matthew Blair	Katie Fitzpatrick	Jackson Coyle	Erin McGivern Emily Glymond-Magill
Mrs O'Neill P5	Megan McCabe	Eve McCarron	Sarah Drummond	Charly Jo Woods-O'Hanlon	Shea Begley	Amelia Magee Anna Magill Amy Irwin Daire Carvill
Mrs McAufield P5	Séan Ryan	Daisy Rooney	Odhán McMeel	Caitlin Ryan	Leo Furlong	Cian McCartan Kelsi Gaffney Siamha Harbinson
Mrs Doran P6	Arthur King	Odhán Macauley	Caoimhe McGrath	Katie Gaffney	Donagh Murdock	Ruby Magill Tessa McKinney Conaire McMahon
Mr Keenan P6	Cormac Ward	Shannon Casey	Rose Magee	Clíodhna Curtis	Sean Fitzpatrick	Odhán Keown Ciana McQuaid Fiachra McGuinness

Mrs Keenan P7	Mark McSwiggan	David Boyle	Connla Gaffney	Olivia Sloan	Rory McGivern	Katie Howlett Alex Byrne Logan Woods
Mr Slevin P7	Aoife Ryan	Aíne Sherry	Jake O’Hare	Ellie-Mae McCann	Eoin Loughran	Molly Murdock

**P4 Girl** (Mrs Hanna) – Eve McCann

**P4 Boy** (Mrs Hanna) – Eoin Trainor

**P5 Girl** (Mrs Hanna) – Zoe Byrne

**P5 Boy** (Mrs Hanna) – Daire Burns

**P6 Sports Cup** (Boy) (Mr Murdock) – Conall McKinley

**P6 Sports Cup** (Girl) (Mr Murdock) –Molly Houlahan

**Music Statuettes** (Mrs Mc Aufield) – Boy -Roman Medlicott Girl- Lorelei Coyle

**Mrs Loughran Award** – Rachel Magee

**Father Mc Ardle Award-** Molly Davis

**Science Statuette** (Mrs McKeown) –Sarah Fitzpatrick

**Mrs Harty Award** (Overall Best Boy)-Harry McMahon- (and nomination by dinner hall staff for Good Manners)

**Mrs Harty Award** (Overall Best Girl) –Jenna McMahon

**Patsy McArdle Cup** - Ronan Downey

**Carrick Council** – Tom McManus, Ronan Downey, Katie Howlett, Ronan Lynch, David Boyle, Rhys Berger, Rachel Magee, Lorelei Coyle, Kelly Farrell, Jenna McMahon, Harry McMahon, Ellie-Mae McCann, Grace Price, Ellie Magee and Eadaoin Moore

## Outstanding Effort Awards

**Mrs Magill** – Kai Mooney P2, Ryan Grimes P3, Charlie Denner P4, Jack Campbell P4, Emma Stephen P5, Tiarnan Serridge P5, Lena Cendrowska P6, Ronan Glymond Magill P6 and Teagan Harbinson P7.

**Dinner Hall Good Manners:** Nicole McKay

**Assembly Hall Awards:** Laura McMahon and Cliodhna Curtis

**Outstanding Effort Awards Awarded by Mrs O’Brien and Mrs McAnulty**– Ellie Dalton and Caoimhe Ward

**Classroom Assistants:** P1-4 Jack Campbell Shannon Murney Shauna Murney  
KS2 Emily Keenan Darren Loy

**Mr Mulholland:** Ben Ward

**Mrs Cassidy’s Outstanding Effort awards:** Daniel Shields Laura O’Hanlon  
Ben McManus Cian Cunningham Jack Murney Shea Stephen

## 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 2016 the results of the End of Key Stage Assessments of P4 and P7 children from Carrick, compared to Northern Ireland averages were as follows:

#### End of Key Stage 1: Communication

	Within Level 1	Level 1	Level 2 and Above
Carrick Primary School	0%	2%	98%
N.I. Average	1.79%	11.93%	86.28%

#### End of Key Stage 1: Using Mathematics

	Within Level 1	Level 1	Level 2 and Above
Carrick Primary School	0%	4%	95%
N.I. Average	1.59%	11.01%	87.40%

#### End of Key Stage 2: Communication

	Below Level 1	Within Level 2	Level 3	Level 4 and Above
Carrick Primary School	0%	2%	9%	89%
N.I. Average	1.41%	4.22%	18.11%	76.26%

#### End of Key Stage 2: Using Mathematics

	Below Level 1	Within Level 2	Level 3	Level 4 and Above
Carrick Primary School	0%	2%	7%	91%
N.I. Average	1.25%	4.34%	17.19%	77.22%

## CLASS STRUCTURE 2015-2016

	Class	Number of Pupils
Mrs Dympna Clarke	P1	24
Mrs Claire Kelly	P1	24
Miss Tracey Crawley	P2	31
Mrs Amanda Duffin	P2	32
Mrs Mary McCann	P3	30
Mrs Patricia McPolin	P3	30
Mrs Eileen Grant	P4	25
Mrs Angeline O'Hare	P4	24
Mrs Anne O'Neill	P5	32
Mrs Teresa McAufield	P5	32
Mr David Keenan	P6	34
Mrs Kathy Doran	P6	33
Mr Desmond Slevin	P7	28
Mrs Sandra Keenan	P7	27
Total Number of Pupils		406

### INSERVICE TRAINING

In-Service training is an entitlement in the professional development of all 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 2015-2016 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.

#### School Development Days and Baker Days 2015-2016

<u>School Development Days</u>	<u>Baker Days</u>
<u>School Development Day 1</u> <u>Friday 28/08/15</u>	<u>Baker Day 1</u> <u>Tuesday 25/08/15</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of School &amp; Class Data</li> <li>• Teachers' Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promoting Positive Behaviour (Training for all staff)</li> </ul>
<u>School Development Day 2</u> <u>03/11/15</u>	<u>Baker Day 2</u> <u>Wednesday 26/08/15</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of World Around Us/ICT Projects P1-7</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of Effective Transitions in Carrick Primary School</li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>School Development Day 3</u> <u>Monday 06/01/16</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Protection Training for all staff, volunteers and students</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Baker Day 3</u> <u>Thursday 27/08/15</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of Rights Respecting School Project (Training for all staff)</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>School Development Day 4</u> <u>Monday 04/04/16</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment of Using ICT</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Baker Day 4</u> <u>Friday 18/03/16</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of School/Community Links</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>School Development Day 5</u> <u>Tuesday 31/05/16</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vision into Practice</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Baker Day 5</u> <u>Monday 30/05/16</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of the Annual Reporting Process</li> </ul>

### CARRICK COUNCIL

During 2015-2016 Carrick 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. They developed several “green” projects, including the Healthy Eating Project, Anti-Litter Project, Recycling Project and Waste Project.

### RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL PROJECT

During 2015-2016 the school achieved the Level 1 Rights Respecting Schools Award. This involved all pupils, staff, Governors and the community. Carrick Council formed part of the steering group who coordinated the school’s Rights Respecting Project and ensured that the school was successful in achieving the Level 1 Rights Respecting Award.

### 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 and on the school’s website. 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 the Board of Governors and Principal accept that they have 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 Principal and a member of the Board of Governors, carry out a detailed Health and Safety Risk Assessment in Term 3 each year.

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 Education Authority’s Road Safety Officers, in relation to road safety.

## 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: 2015-2016**

<b>Stage on Register</b>	<b>Number of Pupils</b>	<b>%</b>
Stage 1	5	8%
Stage 2	37	60%
Stage 3	13	21%
Stage 4	0	0%
Stage 5 (Statemented Pupils)	7	11%
Total	62	100%

Carrick Primary School makes effective and efficient use of all support services. Close liaison is maintained with parents, the Educational Psychologist, Therapists, 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 2015-2016 for children with Special Educational Needs in Maths, English, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language and Auditory Processing.

## NUMERACY PARTNERSHIP AND READING PARTNERSHIP

In 2015-2016 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 and were complimentary about the effectiveness of the tutors involved: Numeracy Partnership – Mrs F Todd and Reading Partnership - Mrs P Lennon, Mrs T Coulter and Miss K Byrne.

## CHARITABLE DONATIONS IN 2015-2016

- Coffee Morning for Hospice £120
- Calais Refugees Crisis- Donation of toiletries and clothing
- Rotary Club's Christmas Shoe Box Appeal: 110 boxes donated
- Newry Hospice Christmas Cards £349
- Newry Hospice Christmas Raffle £49
- Trocaire Boxes £1544
- NSPCC £150

## 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 Claire Kelly served as our Designated Child Protection Teacher, during 2015-2016, and Mrs Patricia McPolin acted in a deputy capacity. In the School Development Plan, "Pastoral Care: Policy into Practice" continued to be a key focus during 2015-2016. Mrs Kelly, 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 is Mrs Kelly.

In her absence Mrs McPolin assumes 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 2015-2016 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 2015-2016 included:

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

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education series Grow in Love 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 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 Grow in Love 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 2015-2016 the children brought in over 100 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.

## 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 and from the school's website ([www.carrickprimaryschool.com](http://www.carrickprimaryschool.com)). 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 coordinators. Coordinators 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. Coordinators 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 years, 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 Coordinator 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 or contact Carrick annually to talk to staff and/or to our P7 pupils. Pupils from these schools spent some time in Carrick on work experience and three students completed teaching practice in Carrick in 2015-2016. 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 and Road Safety Officers.

### FRIENDS OF CARRICK

During 2015-2016 the Friends of Carrick continued to organise fundraising and social events. In Term 1 of 2015-2016 the committee presented the school with a cheque for £6000, 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 2015-2016 academic year.

**Pupils who received Holy Communion 2015-2016**

Niall Begley	Matthew Blair
Luke Cunningham	Jack Campbell
Pearse Cunningham	Olivia Carr
Charlie Denner	Jackson Coyle
Daireann Devlin	Dylan Cunningham
Morgan Doherty	Katie Fitzpatrick
Laura Doyle	Molly Garvey
Olivia Flynn	Emily Glymond Magill
Ben Hourican	Luca Jandoli
Niall Macauley	Shailen Keenan
Caoimhe Mackle	Ronan Lynch
Clíodhna Mackle	Eoin McCormick
Lily Magee	Erin McGivern
Eve McCann	Oisín McGrory
Blathnaid McCarthy	Jack McLoughlin
Danny McFerran	Lauren McSwiggan
Joseph McGovern	Ezara Morgan
Shea McGrath	Donnchadh Murdock
Calum McManus	Maia Murdock
James McPolin	Nathan Murphy
Eadaoin Moore	Caolan Serridge
Fianna Murney	Eoin Trainor
Emily O'Hare	Caoimhe Ward
Erin Rooney	Ben Woods O'Hanlon
Daire Trainor	

**Pupils who received Confirmation 2015-2016**

David Boyle	Kieran Casey
Dylan Burns	Lorelei Coyle
Alex Byrne	Cian Cunningham
Eve Byrne	Ronan Downey
Molly Davis	Teagan Harbinson
Brian Downey	Aaron Lawless
Ben Elmore	Eoin Loughran
Sarah Fitzpatrick	Erin Lundy
Connla Gaffney	Rachel Magee
Pierce Harris	Laura McAteer
Katie Howlett	Eve McAvoy
Declan Irwin	Ellie-Mae McCann
Rachel Kelly	Lara McCarthy
Shea Maney	James McCourt
Bryan McCabe	Nathan McDonald
Rory McGivern	Joe McLoughlin
Niamh McGreevy	Harry McMahan
Jenna McMahan	Ben McManus
Tom McManus	Sasha Millar
Mark McSwiggan	Molly Murdock
Roman Medlicott	Jack Murney
Megan Murphy	Jake O'Hare
Jude Rooney	Jack Pollard
Caitlin Ryan	Aoife Ryan
Olivia Sloan	Aine Sherry
Mateusz Sochalski	Daniel Shields
Logan Woods	Shea Stephen
	Saoirse Treanor

Carrick Primary School  
Financial Information

The money made available to the Board of Governors by the Education Authority for 2015-2016:

	£
School's Budget Allocation	£1047552
Carry over from 2014-2015	£27201
Net Expenditure 2015-2016	£1017153
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<b>Balance carried forward to April 2016</b>	<b>£57600</b>

School Fund Account  
September 2015- September 2016

<b>Income</b>	£
<b>Balance at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015</b>	£7929
School Fees	£2450
Friends of Carrick	£6000
Photographs	£250
Miscellaneous	£95
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£8795</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Photographs	£460
Awards/Sports Day	£660
Staff Development	£1140
Classroom Resources	£1825
Bank Charges	£450
Miscellaneous	£176
School Trips	£1905
Library Resources for Classes	£1245
Reading Books	£1947
Office Supplies	£1160
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>10968</b>
<b>Balance at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016</b>	<b>5756</b>

Signed: Mrs Anne Cassidy (Principal)

Signed: Mr Michael Keenan (Chairperson of Board of Governors)

(Date): November 2016