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Dear Parents

It is with great pleasure that we present this 2017-2018 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*

Mr Michael Keenan  
Chairperson of the Board of Governors

*Mrs Anne Cassidy*

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Principal/ Secretary to the Board of Governors

CARRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL – BURREN

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

2014 – 2018

TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES Term of office ends:

Rev. Fr. Charles Byrne January 2018

Rev. Fr. Desmond Mooney 2018

Mr Gerard Murdock (Vice Chairman) 2018

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Mr Declan McAteer 2018

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Mr Michael Keenan (Chairman) 2018

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Mr Kieran Fegan 2018

Mr Seamus Fegan 2018

PARENT REPRESENTATIVE

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TEACHER REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Amanda Duffin 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 2017-2018**

**Teaching Complement**

Mrs Anne Cassidy	Principal
Mrs Kathy Doran	P7
Mr Sean Murdock	P7
Mr David Keenan	P6
Mrs Emma Harkin	P6
Miss Orlaith McArdle	P5
Mrs Teresa McAufield	P5
Miss Bronach Fegan	P4
Mrs Angelina O'Hare	P4
Mrs Mary McCann	P3
Mrs Patricia McPolin	P3
Mrs Amanda Duffin	P2 Vice Principal
Mrs Tracey Murray	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	Miss Ellen Heaney	Mrs Roisin Gibney
Miss Kathy Byrne	Mrs Teresa McAnulty	Mrs Leona Loughran
Mrs Denise McKay	Mrs Jayne Medicott	
Miss Olivia Haughian	Mrs Patricia Lennon	

**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:** 260 (families)

**School Meals Staff**

**Cook-in-Charge:** Mr Mark McMahan  
**Kitchen Attendants:** Mrs C Healy  
Mrs D Tavey  
Mrs M Blair

## VISION STATEMENT, MISSION STATEMENT AND SCHOOL AIMS

### Vision Statement

Forward Together: Ar Aghaidh 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 2017-2018 was 95.24%

## 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 2017-2018, 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.

### INSPECTION

In January 2017 the school had an Inspection by the Department of Education (Education and Training Inspectorate). The report confirmed that, "In Carrick Primary School the children achieve very high standards, and the staff work very effectively as a team. The staff members have a clear understanding of effective learning and teaching resulting in consistently high quality learning experiences for the children".

### 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 educational and social experiences.

#### School Events 2017-2018

Canon Esler Gaelic Football Competition	October 2017 May 2018
First Confession	November 2017
Indoor Gaelic Football Competitions Boys and Girls	November 2017 February 2018
Book Fair	November 2017
Anti-Bullying Week	November 2017
Road Safety Week	November 2017
Open Day	November 2017
Christmas Mass and Concerts	December 2017
Credit Union Quiz	January 2018

Grandparents' Assembly	February 2018
Retirement Celebrations (Mrs O'Neill)	February 2018
Warrenpoint Feis (Speech Section, Irish Dancing Section & Music Section)	February 2018
Healthy Eating Week	February 2018
Newry Feis (Music Section)	March 2018
STEM Robotics Programme (P6-7)	March 2018
Good Manners Week	April 2018
Science Outreach Programme	Terms 2 & 3 2017-2018
Preparation for Communion (Community Masses)	Terms 2 & 3 2017-2018
Preparation for Confirmation (Community Masses)	Terms 2 & 3 2017-2018
Friendship Week	April 2018
STEM Formula 1 Competition in Ballymena	April 2018
First Holy Communion	May 2018
Confirmation	May 2018
Rights Respecting School Week	May 2018
Boys' GAA Football League	May/June 2018
Preparation for Life Talks (P7)	May 2018
Cross Country Event in Kilbroney	May 2018
Cowboy Day	May 2018
Moving On, Moving Up (EWO Programme)	May 2018
STEM Events	May 2018
Primary 7 Quiz (organised by Friends of Carrick)	June 2018
Annual Summer Concert	June 2018
Leavers' Mass	June 2018
Warrenpoint, Burren, Rostrevor Annual Tennis Competition	June 2018
Connor McConville Gaelic Football Tournament	June 2018
Gaelic Football League Final	June 2018

## Foundation Stage and Key Stage One School Trips 2017-2018

<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>• Pantomime (Warrenpoint)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring Walk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fort Evergreen</li> <li>• Summer Walk</li> <li>• Visit to Chapel</li> </ul>
P1 Mrs Clarke	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Autumn Walk</li> <li>• Winter Walk</li> <li>• Pantomime (Warrenpoint)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring Walk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fort Evergreen</li> <li>• Summer Walk</li> <li>• Visit to Chapel</li> </ul>
P2 Mrs Duffin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Autumn Walk</li> <li>• Winter Walk</li> <li>• Bagnall's Castle</li> <li>• Little Miss Muffat's Christmas Caper (Warrenpoint)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heritage Centre</li> <li>• Spring Walk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newry Cinema</li> <li>• Summer Walk</li> </ul>
P2 Mrs Murray	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Autumn Walk</li> <li>• Winter Walk</li> <li>• Bagnall's Castle</li> <li>• Little Miss Muffat's Christmas Caper (Warrenpoint)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heritage Centre</li> <li>• Spring Walk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newry Cinema</li> <li>• Summer Walk</li> </ul>
P3 Mrs McPolin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explore in Store, Tesco, Newry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House Pantomime</li> <li>• Buildings in Locality</li> <li>• Science - Bubbles Show</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>• Explore in Store, Tesco, Newry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House Pantomime</li> <li>• Buildings in Locality</li> <li>• Science - Bubbles Show</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>• Mini Beast Hunt, Village Green</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House Pantomime</li> <li>• Palace Stables</li> <li>• Houses and Homes walk in the locality</li> <li>• Homes in the Past Workshop</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Station and Cinema</li> </ul>
P4 Miss Fegan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>• Houses and Homes walk in the locality</li> <li>• Homes in the Past Workshop</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Station and Cinema</li> </ul>



## Key Stage Two School Trips September 2017- June 2018

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/Miss McArdle	<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</li> <li>• 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 Harkin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swimming</li> <li>• Waterworks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House</li> <li>• 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 Doran	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kilbroney Park (Tree Study)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House</li> <li>• Pantomime</li> <li>• Armagh Planetarium</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Townlands Walk</li> <li>• Swimming</li> <li>• Castlewellan Outdoor Pursuits</li> </ul>
P7 Mr Murdock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kilbroney Park (Tree Study)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand Opera House</li> <li>• Pantomime</li> <li>• Armagh Planetarium</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Townlands 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. One of our Primary 7 pupils took part in a Science and Technology competition in St Louis Grammar School and won the event, returning home with a beautiful trophy and a certificate.

All of the classes participated in concerts and assemblies in 2017-2018. 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 2017-2018

Music Section

String Group

Warrenpoint Feis P6/7 String Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Individual Music Awards

Warrenpoint Feis

Oisín Gambold 1<sup>st</sup> Place

Odhrán McMeel/Lillie McClorey/Abbie McShane 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Siomha Harbinson Highly Commended

WARRENPOINT FEIS WINNERS

2018

<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>		Dara Grant	Jack Ryan Jack McShane Zac Gee		Grace McGovern Amira Abouda
<u>Mrs Kelly</u> <u>P1</u>	Caitlin Byrne		Daniel McCartan		Joe Lennon Conor Taggart Emma Day Hayleigh Leddy
<u>Mrs Duffin</u> <u>P2</u>		Aoibhin Mulligan		Annie McMahon	Annie McMahon
<u>Mrs Murray</u> <u>P2</u>		Chloe Hynes	Darcey O'Leary		
<u>Mrs McPolin</u> <u>P3</u>	Darcie Blair and Overall Winner 2018				Eve Woods O'Hanlon
<u>Mrs McCann</u> <u>P3</u>	Daithi McGovern	Freya Fegan Orla Byrne Shane Quinn	Amy McManus		Imogen McCarron Ryan Carragher
<u>Mrs O'Hare</u> <u>P4</u>			Eoin Coulter Cillian McCarthy Orla Fearon		
<u>Miss Fegan</u> <u>P4</u>	Leah McPolin	Eoin Doyle Aimee McKernan	Méabh McAllister		
<u>Miss McArdle</u> <u>P5</u>			Anthony Collins Joe McGovern Orla Magill		Dylan Kelly Lauren McLoughlin Ciaran McMahon

<u>Mrs McAufield</u> <u>P5</u>	Ciara Quinn	Fionn McGuinness Paul Hickey	Callum McGinnis Farrell Bláthnid Gambold		Eve Hughes
<u>Mr Keenan</u> <u>P6</u>	Eve McCann	Niall Macauley			Bláthnid McCarthy Laura Doyle
<u>Mrs Harkin</u> <u>P6</u>	Matthew Blair And Overall Winner 2018	Dylan Cunningham	Owain Dinner Davies Ronan Lynch		Jack McLoughlin
<u>Mr Murdock</u> <u>P7</u>		Mary Kate McMahon Kate Mansfield	Abbie McShane		
<u>Mrs Doran</u> <u>P7</u>	Shóna McAteer and Overall Winner 2018 and Holly Burns Perpetual Cup best P1-P7		Anna Magill		

### SPORTING EVENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The pupils enjoyed much success in a wide and varied sports programme during the 2017-2018 year. The programme of events included:

- Cross Country P4 – P7;
- Canon Esler Cup – Football Championship;
- Boys’ Indoor Football Competition (Co Down);
- Girls’ Indoor Football Competition;
- Indoor Hurling and Camogie Competitions (Cumann na mBunscoil);
- Connor McConville Gaelic Football Tournament;
- Football League (Cumann na mBunscoil);
- Swimming for P.5, P.6 and P.7 (1 term each);
- Cowboy Day;
- Sports Day;
- Tennis Coaching Programme and Competition;
- Participation in Hurling and Football Representative Matches and Skills Competitions;
- Soccer Coaching Programme;
- Tennis Coaching Programme;
- Hip Hop Coaching Programme; and
- Gymnastics Coaching Programme.

Carrick Primary School  
Class Awards 2018

<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	Aidan Carragher	Anna McGivern	Harry O'Hare	Aideen Trainor	James Rooney	Amira Abouda
Mrs Kelly P1	Conor Taggart	Beth Casey	Eimear Drummond	Aoibhin Macauley	Harry Coulter	Nicol Granat
Mrs Duffin P2	Maírtín McMahon	Aoibhin Mulligan	Eabha Duffy	Annie McMahon	Daniel Doran	Liliana Armstrong
Mrs Murray P2	Lucy Gribben	Hollie Benson	Aidan O'Hare	Sophie Short	Matthew Rooney	Lucy Magee
Mrs Magill P3	Liam Bradley	Molly McGrath	Aiden McGivern	Eve-Woods O'Hanlon	Conor McLoughlin	Sophie Magee Daniel McKibben
Mrs McCann P3	Charlie Rafferty	Ella Cunningham	Eoghan Rooney	Amy McManus	Ethan Harty	Aidan McNally Imogen McCarron Cara McKinley
Miss Fegan P4	Johnny Denner	Anna McPolin	Eoin Doyle	Sophie McGreevy	Luke Boyle	Olivia Braham
Mrs O'Hare P4	Lorcán McMeel	Lorcán Rowntree	Ava Franklin	Naoise Grant	Ryan Murney	Emma-Rose Bradley
Miss McArdle P5	Darragh Keown	Aoife O'Hare	Katie Hourican	Ella Mc Hale	Patrick McAllister	Grace Drummond
Mrs McAufield P5	Fionn McGuinness	Bláthnid Gambold	Oisín Rooney	Molly Boyle	Kyle Connolly	Farrah-May Morgan
Mrs Harkin P6	Ronan Lynch	Olivia Carr	Jack McLoughlin	Amelia Flanagan	Caolan Serridge	Ben Woods O'Hanlon
Mr Keenan P6	Dáire Trainor	Erin Rooney	Daireann Devlin	Caoimhe Mackle	Ben Hourican	James McPolin
Mrs Doran P7	Amy Irwin	Áine Keohane	Cai Cole	Shona McAteer	Rhys Berger	Oliver Magee Eoin McGivern Emily Keenan Nilyay Sebaydin
Mr Murdock P7	Zoe Byrne	Searlait Collins	Cathal McKibben	Grace Price	Tiaran Serridge	Oisín Maney Mary Kate McMahon Kate Mansfield Caitlin Ryan Katie Cunningham

**P1 Positive Behaviour** (Mrs Keenan's Award) - **Grace Mc Govern**

**P1 Positive Behaviour** (Mrs Keenan's Award) - **Dylan McAvoy**

**P4 Girl** (Mrs Hanna's Award) – **Aoife Sherry**

**P4 Boy** (Mrs Hanna's Award) – **Shea Carragher**

**P5 Girl** (Mrs Hanna's Award) – **Anna Toner**

**P5 Boy** (Mrs Hanna's Award) – **Paul Hickey**

**P6 McMahon Cup - Maia Murdock**

**P6 Sports Cup (Boy) (Mr Murdock) – Dylan Cunningham**

**P6 Sports Cup (Girl) (Mr Murdock) – Bláthnid McCarthy**

**Music Statuettes– Boy – Ben Grant  
Girl- Eibhleann Moore**

**Mrs Loughran’s Award – Oisín Gambold**

**Father Mc Ardle’s Award- Niall Howlett**

**Science Statuette (Mrs McKeown’s Award) – Petie Anderson**

**Mrs Harty’s Award (Overall Best Boy)- Ben Ward**

**Mrs Harty’s Award (Overall Best Girl) – Lucy Kelly**

**Patsy McArdle’s Cup – Shea Begley**

**Light of Faith (Mrs Grant’s Awards) – Emily Bassom and Eoin Coulter**

**Drama Award - Abbie McShane**

## Outstanding Effort Awards

**Dinner Hall Good Manners:** Lauryñ Quinn, Donnchadh Murdock

**Assembly Hall:** Caoimhe Ward, Matthew Carr

**Outstanding Effort Awards from Mrs O’Brien and Mrs McAnulty–** KS1 Fianna McGivern  
KS2 Eve McCann

**Classroom Assistants’ Awards: KS1** Kieran Connolly/Chloe Hynes

**KS2** Niamh Treanor /Corey Quinn

**Mr Mullholland’s Award:** Harry McArdle

**Mrs J McStay’s Award:** Charlie Small

## 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 2018 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%	3%	97%
N.I. Average	1%	11%	88%

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

	Within Level 1	Level 1	Level 2 and Above
Carrick Primary School	0%	5%	95%
N.I. Average	1%	10%	89%

#### End of Key Stage 2: Communication

	Within Level 2	Within Level 2	Level 3	Level 4 and Above
Carrick Primary School	0%	3%	15%	82%
N.I. Average	1%	4%	16%	79%

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

	Within Level 2	Within Level 2	Level 3	Level 4 and Above
Carrick Primary School	0%	2%	12%	86%
N.I. Average	1%	3%	16%	80%

### CLASS STRUCTURE 2017-2018

	Class	Number of Pupils
Mrs Dympna Clarke	P1	26
Mrs Claire Kelly	P1	26
Miss Tracey Murray	P2	27
Mrs Amanda Duffin	P2	27
Mrs Mary McCann	P3	23
Mrs Patricia McPolin	P3	24

Miss Bronach Fegan	P4	31
Mrs Angeline O'Hare	P4	33
Mrs Anne O'Neill/Miss McArdle	P5	30
Mrs Teresa McAufield	P5	31
Mr David Keenan	P6	25
Mrs Emma Harkin	P6	26
Mr Sean Murdock	P7	33
Mrs Kathy Doran	P7	32
Total Number of Pupils		394

### 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 2017-2018 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 2017-2018

<b><u>School Development Days</u></b>	<b><u>Baker Days</u></b>
<b><u>School Development Day 1</u></b> <b><u>Thursday 31/08/17</u></b>	<b><u>Baker Day 1</u></b> <b><u>Tuesday 29/08/17</u></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of Resource and Planning to support Spelling and Handling Data Projects</li> <li>• Development of Effective Transitions in Carrick Primary School</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bishop's Meeting: Celebrating Catholic Schools</li> </ul>
<b><u>School Development Day 2</u></b> <b><u>Monday 08/01/18</u></b>	<b><u>Baker Day 2</u></b> <b><u>Wednesday 30/08/17</u></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Protection/Safeguarding/Reasonable Force/ESafety Training</li> <li>• Healthy Me Training</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of WAU/ICT Projects</li> <li>• Teachers' Meeting</li> <li>• Analysis of School &amp; Class Data</li> <li>• Izak 9 Training</li> </ul>
<b><u>School Development Day 3</u></b> <b><u>Friday 16/02/18</u></b>	<b><u>Baker Day 3</u></b> <b><u>Monday 09/04/18</u></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of School/Community Links</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of Handling Data/Spelling Resources and Planning</li> <li>• Update of School Policies (Consultation Process)</li> </ul>

<u>School Development Day 4</u> <u>Monday 19/02/18</u>	<u>Baker Day 4</u> <u>Tuesday 08/05/18</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment and Moderation of Using ICT</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vision into Practice</li> </ul>
<u>School Development Day 5</u> <u>Tuesday 20/03/18</u>	<u>Baker Day 5</u> <u>Tuesday 29/05/18</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of Special Educational Needs Support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of the Annual Reporting Process</li> </ul>

### CARRICK COUNCIL

During 2017-2018 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, Biodiversity Project and the Butterfly Project. Northern Ireland’s Commissioner for Children and Young People visited our school on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2018 and the School Council presented a Rights Respecting Assembly for her.

### RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL PROJECT

During 2017-2018 the school made further developments to the Rights Respecting Schools Project. 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 to ensure that the school maintained the Silver 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: 2017-2018**

<b>Stage on Register</b>	<b>Number of Pupils</b>	<b>%</b>
Stage 1	4	7%
Stage 2	28	47%
Stage 3	20	33%
Stage 4	1	1%
Stage 5 (Statemented Pupils)	7	12%
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, 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 2017-2018 for children with Special Educational Needs in Maths, English, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language and Auditory Processing.

## NUMERACY PARTNERSHIP AND READING PARTNERSHIP

In 2017-2018 a number of pupils participated in the Numeracy Partnership Programme and in the Reading Partnership Programme. The evaluations which were completed by parents, pupils and staff members were very positive and were complimentary about the effectiveness of the tutors involved. The Numeracy Partner is Mrs F Todd and Reading Partners are Mrs T Coulter and Miss K Byrne.

## CHARITABLE DONATIONS IN 2017-2018

- Coffee Morning for Hospice - £179
- Rotary Club's Christmas Shoe Box Appeal - 100 boxes donated
- Newry Hospice Christmas Cards - £307
- Coins Donation £100
- Trocaire Boxes – £1000
- NSPCC - £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 Care and Welfare 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 2017-2018, and Mrs Patricia McPolin and Mr David Keenan acted in a deputy capacity. In the School Development Plan, "Pastoral Care: Policy into Practice" continued to be a key focus during 2017-2018. 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' (2017).

The Designated Teacher for Child Protection is Mrs Kelly.

In her absence Mrs McPolin and Mr Keenan assume responsibility as Deputy Designated Teachers. The Designated Governors for Child Protection are 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 2017-2018 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 2017-2018 included:

Choir	Cycling Proficiency	Maths and English Club
Camogie	Boys' Football	HipHop
Tennis	Art	Hurling
Girls' Football	Irish Dancing	STEM Challenge
Soccer	Irish	Gymnastics
Coding 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. In 2017-2018 the children were also involved in a number of children's Masses to further strengthen the school, home, Church links.

## SHOEBOX APPEAL

In 2017-2018 the children brought in over 100 shoe boxes for the Rotary Club's 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 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; and Half-Termly Tests (P1-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, and NRIT Test Results;
- Tracking of children's progress from year to year in Literacy and Numeracy using NRIT, PiE and PiM Standardised Test Results;
- Testing the children in English, Maths and Science on a half-termly basis (P1-7);

- Target setting in each class in Literacy and Numeracy using a range of data, including PiE, PiM, NRIT, 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 spend some time in Carrick on work experience and 5 students completed teaching practice in Carrick in 2017-2018. 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, Food and Fitness Officers and Road Safety Officers.

### FRIENDS OF CARRICK

During 2017-2018 the Friends of Carrick continued to organise fundraising and social events. In Term 2 of 2017-2018 the committee presented the school with a cheque for £6000, which enabled the school to purchase a range of PE/sports resources, ICT 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 excellent support for and loyalty to the school and to 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 2017-2018 academic year.

## **Pupils who received Holy Communion 2017-2018**

*Emily Bassom  
Emily Benson  
Luke Boyle  
Olivia Braham  
Shéa Carragher  
Peadar Challinor  
Jay Cunningham  
May Cunningham  
Oliver Curtis  
Jonny Denner  
Sarah Doherty  
Eoin Doyle  
Aoife Gaffney  
Victoria Kowalczyk  
Jack Magee  
Méabh McAllister  
Jasmine McCarron  
Leah McGinnis Farrell  
Shane McGreevy  
Sophie McGreevy  
Daithí McGrory  
Aimee McKernan  
Annie McManus  
Anna McPolin  
Leah McPolin  
Maria McStay  
Cameron Moore  
Ella Murphy  
Michael Trainor  
Odhran Trainor  
Cillian Ward*

*Emma Rose Bradley  
Alice Byrne  
Danny Byrne  
Frankie Carragher  
Molly Casey  
Kieran Connolly  
Eoin Coulter  
Kealan Dickson  
Orla Fearon  
Ava Franklin  
Naoise Grant  
Eábha Keenan  
Niamh McAteer  
Jamie McCabe  
Matthew McCartan  
Cillian McCarthy  
Fianna McGivern  
Matthew McKinney  
Sam McMahon  
Lorcán McMeel  
Ollie Millar  
Ryan Murney  
Shannon Murney  
Shauna Murney  
Patrick Murtagh  
Lauren O'Grady  
Eddie O'Hare  
Lorcán Keenan-Rowntree  
Tara Ryan  
Aoife Sherry  
Ferdia Sherry  
Charlie Small  
James Woods*

## **Pupils who received Confirmation 2017-2018**

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

Carrick Primary School  
Financial Information

The money made available to the Board of Governors by the Education Authority for 2016-2018:

	£
School's Budget Allocation	£ 1004812
Carry over from 2016-2017	£ 57249
Net Expenditure 2017-2018	£ 1056491
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<b>Balance carried forward to April 2018</b>	<b>£ 5570</b>

School Fund Account

September 2017- September 2018

Income	£
<b>Balance at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017</b>	£770
School Fees	£4540
Friends of Carrick	£6000
Photographs	£1290
Miscellaneous	£1280
Fundraising Initiatives	£6500
Donations	£8000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£28380</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Photographs	£60
Awards/Sports Day	£20
Staff Development	£45
Classroom Resources	£38
Bank Charges	£104
Miscellaneous	£36
School Trips	£48
Library Resources for Classes	£45
Reading Books	£19
Office Supplies	£16
Administration Expenses	£60
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£491</b>
<b>Balance at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018</b>	<b>£27889</b>

Signed: Mrs A Cassidy (Principal)

Signed: Mr M Keenan (Chair of Board of Governors)

Date: October 2018