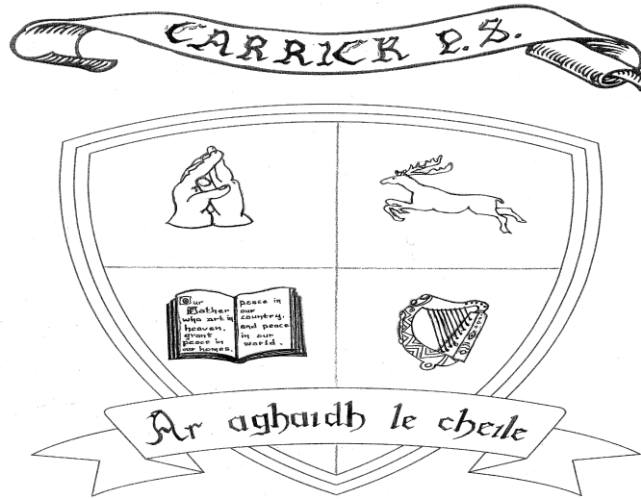


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Vision Statement

Forward Together: Ar aghaidh le chéile.

Mission Statement

In Carrick Primary School we aim to provide a safe, caring and stimulating environment, in order to realise and celebrate the academic and non-academic potential of all our pupils. We expect our pupils to work hard and encourage parents to assist us in helping children to learn and to become lifelong learners.

School Aims

We aim to:

- develop and strengthen each pupil's understanding and love of Catholic values by promoting the Catholic ethos throughout the school;
- 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;
- Endorse the United Nations' Convention on the Rights of the Child and work towards the implementation of policies and practices which reflect the Convention;
- 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.

We, the staff of Carrick Primary School, endorse the Convention on the Rights of the Child and are working towards the implementation of policies and practices which reflect the Convention.

Article 28:

Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free.

Article 29:

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

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Our school conducts its activities and operations in a way which reflects best environmental practice, in order to control and reduce our direct impact on the environment.

Commitments

In Carrick Primary School, the pupils, staff, Governors and parents are committed to:

- reducing the amount of rubbish we send to landfill;
- increasing the amount of materials we recycle.

Actions

- We ensure that every room in the school is provided with a highly visible and convenient recycling bin.
- We recycle paper, magazines, cardboard and plastics.
- We run regular recycling and environmental workshops and events to improve the knowledge of children and staff and to raise awareness amongst the pupils and wider school community about environmental issues.
- We recycle mobile printer/ toner cartridges on an on-going basis.
- We recycle school uniforms.
- We purchase recycled office paper and stationery, where possible.
- We encourage staff members to only photocopy/print what is absolutely necessary and to use double sided copies and black and white copies rather than colour copies, where possible.
- We are committed to the development and extension of our recycling policy and procedures.

We are a Green Flag School and our pupils, parents, staff and Governors are working hard to extend our good environmental practices and to share good practice in the area.

Conclusion

This policy has been drawn up in consultation with pupils, staff, parents and Governors. It will be reviewed every three years, or sooner if required, in consultation with all stakeholders.

Signed: Mrs A Cassidy (Principal)

Signed: Mr G Murdock (Chairperson of Board of Governors)

Date: February 2024

Review Date: February 2027