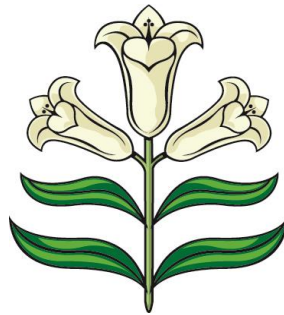


St. Anne's P.S.

Board of Governors
Annual Report 2017 - 2018



*“Be it known to all who enter here
that Christ is the reason for this school;
the unseen, but ever present, teacher in its classes,
the model of its staff and the inspiration of its pupils.”*

Dear Parents,

It is with great pleasure that we present this 2017-2018 Annual Report of the Board of Governors of St Anne's Primary School. 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,

Mrs Gillian McCollum
Chairperson of the Board of Governors

MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The School is managed by a Board of Governors which includes members nominated by the Trustees, the Education Authority and members who have been elected. Parents and teachers are represented by those they elect to the Board.

Board of Governors

Trustee representative (Chair)	Gillian McCollum
Trustee representative (Vice-Chair)	Mairead Savage
Trustee representative	Paul Monaghan
Trustee representative	Liam Doherty
DENI representative (Secretary)	Patricia Nickell
E.A. representative	Oliver Kearney
E.A. representative	vacant
Parent Governor representative	Michael Williamson
Teacher representative	Noeleen Adams
School Principal	John Hennessy
Co-opted member	Fr Joseph Gunn

The Board of Governors has overall responsibility for the management of the school in keeping with St Anne's 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.

VISION STATEMENT

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OUR AIMS:

1. To create an inclusive environment, which embraces the Catholic ethos wherein the fostering of Christian attitudes, values and beliefs is given priority.
2. To provide a high standard of education for each pupil, consistent with the requirements of the N.I Curriculum.
3. To enhance each pupil's self-esteem through the development of self-confidence, self-discipline, and independence.
4. To develop meaningful links with parents, the home and the wider community.

Teaching Staff

John Hennessy - Principal / P6 & P7

Sharon Fitzsimons - Principal Release (2 days)

Noeleen Adams (3 days) – P3, P4 & P5

Carmel Hennessy (2 days) – P3, P4 & P5

Joanne McNamee –Reception, P1& P2

Non-Teaching Staff

School Secretary Julie Maxwell

Classroom Assistant (3 days) Maureen O' Boyle – P1/ P2

Classroom Assistant Wendy Yeatman

SEN/Classroom Asst / Supervisory Asst Emma Chambers

Supervisory Assistant Geraldine McCann

Building Supervisor Gavin Myles

Catering Assistant Hannah Reid

School enrolment trends:

October 2015: 49 children

October 2016: 43 children

October 2017: 45 children

School attendance trends (NI average 95.5%):

June 2016: 94%

June 2017: 96.3%

June 2018: 95.9%

EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES 2017/2018

Schools report the performance of the school at the end of Key Stages 1 & 2. In the tables below you will see how current performance measures against the N.I. average for last year. The Board of Governors would like to thank all the staff who work with our children for their endeavour and professionalism.

End of Key Stage 1 performance: Year 4

Children working at levels:	Northern Ireland % average: Literacy	St. Anne's PS % Average: Literacy
QQ	<i>1.61</i>	0
1	<i>11.16</i>	50
2	<i>69.40</i>	50
3	<i>17.83</i>	0

Children working at levels:	Northern Ireland % average: Numeracy	St. Anne's PS % Average: Numeracy
QQ	<i>1.39</i>	0
1	<i>9.65</i>	0
2	<i>71.10</i>	100
3	<i>17.86</i>	0

Children working at levels:	Northern Ireland % average: ICT	St. Anne's PS % Average: ICT
QQ	<i>1.11</i>	0
1	<i>9.13</i>	0
2	<i>85.08</i>	100
3	<i>4.69</i>	0

End of Key Stage 2 performance: Year 7

Children working at levels:	Northern Ireland % average: Literacy	St. Anne's PS % Average: Literacy
QQ	0	0
1	0.60	0
2	3.99	0
3	15.65	66.66
4	62.31	33.33
5	17.35	0

Children working at levels:	Northern Ireland % average: Numeracy	St. Anne's PS % Average: Numeracy
QQ	0.24	0
1	0.52	0
2	3.23	0
3	16.18	66.66
4	56.47	33.33
5	23.37	0

Children working at levels:	Northern Ireland % average: ICT	St. Anne's PS % Average: ICT
QQ	0	0
1	0.61	0
2	2.12	0
3	14.93	33.33
4	78.23	66.66
5	4.00	0

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

The school has a three-year SDP which focuses on raising standards across all areas of school ranging from pastoral care, and areas of the curriculum to site maintenance & development. Specific focus will be on problem solving and strategy usage to break down investigations in Numeracy and in comprehension skills within Literacy.

The Revised Curriculum builds on the good classroom practice which teachers already have and in-service training continues to develop these areas. A significant amount of work is currently being undertaken in terms of classroom practice, learner performance and data analysis in Literacy and Numeracy within self evaluation. We are implementing Assessment for Learning in terms of formative feedback and developing pupil and peer evaluation of their own work. Thinking skills and Personal Capabilities are being visibly promoted and the development of strategies that can be used to attack problems is being promoted actively. Teachers are using the classroom technology to enhance the nature of daily interaction and we are embracing the active teaching methods promoted within the Revised Curriculum.

SPECIAL NEEDS PROVISION

St Anne's Primary School continues to implement the Code of Practice for the identification and assessment of children with special educational needs. Provision for children with special educational needs is outlined as follows:

- Education Plans drawn up, implemented and reviewed by Special Needs Coordinator, class teacher and support teacher.
- Provision of Classroom Assistant support where possible
- Liaison with Special Needs Department, Education Authority.
- Liaison with various agencies: Literacy Support, ASD, EWO, Education Psychology, Scrabo Childrens' Centre, Hearing Support.
- Reading Partnership
- R.I.S.E.(NI) team working with teachers and children from Years 1 to 3 to meet needs in terms of speech & language/behaviour/motor skills/ thinking skills.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (April 1, 2017 ~ March 31, 2018)

School Budget

Resources available	£196 539
Expenditure	£226 784
Approximate cumulative carryover / deficit	-£30 245

The 3-year plan approved by the Board of Governors and the Education Authority finance officers is designed to manage and utilise available resources efficiently and effectively.

School Fund Account

Balance available Sept 1st 2017	£3037.54
Balance at Aug 31st 2018	£2989.47

LINKS WITH THE PARISH AND COMMUNITY

St Anne's has continued to work to develop links with the local community. In the past year the following events took place:

- Christmas nativity play with performances from all children.
- Christmas Carol Service for residents in 2 local nursing homes.
- Opening of school year Mass.
- Family assemblies
- PTA Quiz night at Donaghadee Golf Club
- Open Day/induction day for Year 1 Parents and Children
- PTA Bingo night
- Workshops for all pupils at Donaghadee library
- Sports Day
- Curriculum/Parents meetings and interviews
- Leavers celebratory assembly
- Shared Education programme with Ballyvester Primary School
- Involvement of Donaghadee Rotary Club in Summer Fair
- Hampers donated to St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Fundraising for Trocaire
- Family Night at Community Centre attended by Deputy Mayor and Councillors

The Board of Governors are extremely grateful to all those PTA members who provide voluntary and vital support at many of these events throughout the year.

Collaboration with local and parish schools

In addition to the work outlined above the school continues to maintain strong links with local and parish schools in order to have a positive impact on teaching & learning, as well as to promote the school within the community. During the school year our pupils were involved in a wide range of activities.

Shared Education Programme:

- Joint staff day with Ballyvester PS.
- 20 days for collaborative staff work (ICT, Literacy & Numeracy Coordinators).
- Term 1 - Shared Education excursions to Snakes 'n' Ladders and Crawfordsburn.
- Term 1 - Shared education workshops in Community Centre: drums, dance, zumba, fitness and painting.
- Term 2 - Shared Education excursions to Folk & Transport Museum and the Ulster Museum.
- Term 2 - Shared education workshops in Community Centre: science, Lego, drama.
- Term 3 - Shared Education excursions to Streamvale farm & the MAC theatre.
- Term 3 – Joint days at school: play & sports.

Bangor Parish Family of Schools:

- Service of Light and Commitment
- Sacrament of Confirmation
- Attendance at 3x BPFS masses
- Catholic Schools Week celebrations
- R.E. Coordinators' meetings
- Assemblies given by Parish lay chaplain
- Staff & pupils join Parish attendance at World Meeting of Families

Other collaboration:

- Printed banners for Donaghadee seafront, with Donaghadee PS, Ballyvester PS, Killard House, Seacourt Printing, Donaghadee Historical Society and Donaghadee Community Development Group.

- Production of 2018 calendar with Donaghadee PS, Ballyvester PS, and Sir Samuel Kelly Project.
- Visits to Killard House and Donagahdee PS for Christmas plays.
- Killard House pupil prepared for Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Anne's.
- Mr Hennessy's involvement in Principals Cluster Group.

A summary of school and community events:

Term 1

- Swimming lessons (P3~P7)
- Flu vaccinations
- Visit from Groomsport Playgroup
- Phoncs workshop for parents
- Open morning
- Parent –Teacher meetings
- Visit for P7s to St Columbanus' College
- P5s visit from Fire Service
- Nativity Play

Term 2

- P7s at BEE Safe event
- Swimming lessons (P3~P7)
- P6/7 Visit Princess Victoria disaster exhibition
- P7s represent school at Road Safety quiz
- 100th Day of School (Maths Day)
- Library visits
- Service of light
- World Book Day

Term 3

- Sports Day
- P1 Open Day
- Leaver's Assembly
- School nurse visit to P1s
- School Photographs
- P6/7 Residential at Greenhill YMCA
- Visit from Groomsport Playgroup