

Parent Information Evening  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
7.30pm



# Board of Governors

Name	Role
Mr M Adair	Chair Person
Rev P McClelland	Vice Chair Person
Miss S Lindsay	Secretary
Mrs E Fraser	Safeguarding and Numeracy link
Mrs G Meredith	Parent Representative, Health and Wellbeing and Literacy link
Mr T McClelland	Parent Representative
Mrs H Bennett	Teacher Representative
Mr R Turner	Governor
Mrs C Agg	Governor
Dr A Cupples	Governor

# Chair of the Board of Governors

- Mr M. Adair
- Financial update

# Teaching Staff and Responsibilities

Name	Class	Responsibility
Miss S Lindsay	P7	Principal Deputy Designated Teacher For Child Protection Literacy Co-ordinator Facebook Co-ordinator
Mrs K Allen	P7	Music Co-ordinator Choir Co-ordinator
Mrs D White	P6	School Council Co-ordinator School website (temporary)
Mrs H Bennett	P5	Special Educational Needs Coordinator Teacher Representative on Board of Governors
Mrs K McDermott	P5	Eco Schools Co-ordinator
Mrs E Wright	P3/4	Maternity Cover for Mrs Reid
Mrs A Reid	P3/4	uICT Co-ordinator WAU Co-ordinator (Fair Trade and Global Learning)
Mrs N Turkington	P2	Numeracy Co-ordinator Assessment Co-ordinator PE and After Schools Co-ordinator
Mrs G Martin	P1	Designated Teacher For Child Protection RE and Art Co-ordinator Anti bullying Ambassadors Co-ordinator

# Pastoral Care

- Safe and happy children
- Signs, poster and display boards
- Pupil Voice
  - School council (election process)
  - Anti Bullying Ambassadors (staff selected)
  - Playground Buddies (job application)
  - Junior Road Safety (application form)
  - Eco Committee (retained)
- Cycling Proficiency (after school)
- Scripture Union (after school)
- Target setting
- Good to be Green

# Special Educational Needs

- Teaching caters for individual pupil needs and learning styles
- Support provided for literacy by:
  - Reading Partnership
  - Toe by Toe Reading Programme
  - External peripatetic support
  - Motor Programme to support handwriting
- Support provided for numeracy by:
  - One to one/small group withdrawal support starting October
- All support is delivered on an analysis of need basis
- All teachers differentiate within their classes

# Literacy

- Focus on comprehension skills
- Active cycle in P5 – 7 guided reading
- Levelled all year in reading, writing and talking and listening
- EXTREME READER COMPETITION

# Numeracy

- Focus is on Problem Solving
- Practical Problem Solving activities
- Discuss their mathematical learning improving vocabulary
- Levelled all year in all areas of maths (processes, number, measure, shape and space and data handling)



# uICT

- Teaching skills to enable children to use ICT
- Assessing the use of those skills
- Use cross curricular
- In class – iPads/laptops/digital cameras/IWB/Beebot/Probot/Scratch
- Home use - word processing, click and drag, internet search and shut down procedure
- ICT club – terms 2 and 3 (coding and animation)

# World Around Us

- Global Learning – level 1, applying for level 2 this year
- Fair Aware school – Fair Trade award achieved last year
- Specific topics are in the trifold leaflet.
- Topics given but child lead subject (history, geography, science, technology)
- European Day of Languages – 26<sup>th</sup> September (see Facebook and website)
- Fair Trade Fortnight – 24<sup>th</sup> February – 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020
- Mad Scientist Day – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020
- Eco Schools – Green Flag application this year

# Assessment

- September: Baseline testing by all class teachers (P1 GL Assessment Baseline test). P4 and P6 CAT (computerised Cognitive Ability Test) – individuals PTE / PTM tests are then compared to this score
- January: Teachers own class tests eg high frequency words, spellings, comprehension, grammar punctuation and sentence structure and numeracy. (Writing levelled all year)
- May: P3 – P7 computerised PTE (Progress Test in English) and PTM (Progress Test in Maths)
- PASS (Pupil Attitude to School and Self)
- CCEA tasks used continuously from P1 to P7 to level the children in preparation for end of KS1 and end of KS2 leveling (Levels 1 through to 5)
- Computerised reading tests, spelling tests Dyslexia and dyscalculia screening are used diagnostically with individuals if the PTE / PTM tests highlight concerns and following professional judgement by the class teacher
- Parent / Teacher meetings: October and March
- Written report June

# Choir Performances

- Clare Reformed Presbyterian Lunch Time Club - Wednesday 4th December
- Carol Service Clare Presbyterian Church - Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December
- School Christmas performance
- Clare Reformed Presbyterian Lunch Time Club - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April
- Musical Pathways concert
- RE inspection
- Final Assembly

# Extra Curricular Activities

Termly notifications sent

- After schools provided by: Burns Skills School, CR Hockey Coaching, P.R.F.C. Youth Development Coach, Mrs Turkington and Clare PS staff
- Term 1: Football (P1-P7), hip-hop (P1-P7), hockey (P1-P7), cross country (P4-P7), SU (Mrs Martin), table top games (Mrs Allen and Mrs Wright)
- Term 2: Football (P1-P7), gymnastics (P1-P7), hockey (P1-P7), rugby (P1-P7), ICT (Mrs Reid), cookery (Mrs Bennett)
- Term 3: Football (P1-P7), gymnastics / tennis t.b.c. (P1-P7), hockey (P1-P7), athletics (P4-P7), First Aid TBC, cycling proficiency (Mrs Martin)

Ganaway Residential for P6 and P7 pupils

## Competitions Upcoming

- It is our intention to continue to share the talents of our children by competing in the following events this year:
- Banbridge Performing Arts Festival, P6-P7 individual entries (WB 4<sup>th</sup> November)
- Tandragee recreation Centre 5-a-side football tournament (December)
- Flavahans cross country race (Southern Area) Lurgan Park / Portadown Rugby Club (December)
- Cross Country NI finals (January)
- Junior Road Safety (January)
- Easons Spelling Bee (Feb – May, one date to be provided)
- CR Hockey George Compston Memorial Tournament Ardmore, Armagh with 2 teams (April). Also Academy placements available (May/June)
- Christian Aid 5-a-side football tournament (May)
- Cascades local schools' Swimming Gala (May) depending on the number of swimmers with race experience in P6 and P7
- Kilcluney 7-a-side football tournament (June)
- Farm Safety Art Competition (summer)

# Concerns Procedure

- Please be patient when contacting the school as our school secretary works to 8.45am – 2pm.
- Contact the class teacher
- If unresolved contact the subject co-ordinator (if appropriate)
- If still unresolved contact the Principal
- If unsatisfied contact a member of the Board of Governors

# Fundraising

2018-2019

- Odd Sock Day - £127 (Top up of playground equipment for the children)
- Opus - £273.50 and posters/display boards
- Book Fair - £1084.64 (sets of novels were purchased for guided reading)
- Action MS - £2482.50 (charity of the year)
- Robert Davidson Commission - £75 (purchase of netballs and footballs)
- Burns Skills School - £80 Parent Spinathon (to be paid to school Oct. '19)
- Burns Skills School – Summer School amount to be confirmed



# Friends Of Clare

## Fundraising

Just over £4,000 raised last year

AGM date – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 7pm

## Goals for this year:

Big breakfast and raffle (November)

Christmas cards (November)

Table quiz (Spring Term)

Tandragee 100 (May)

Barbecue (June)