

Naiscoil Dhun Padraig,  
C/O Scouts Den,  
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### Trustees Report 01/10/2022 to 30/09/2023

The aim of Naiscoil Dhun Padraig is to enhance the development and education of children (2-4 age group) through the medium of Irish by encouraging parents/guardians to understand and provide for the needs of their children by: - a. Offering appropriate play facilities, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the Naiscoil, ensuring that we offer opportunities for all children, regardless of religion, culture, race or means. b. Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs of such children and their families in the local areas.

The trustees have had regard to the Commission's Public benefit requirement and statutory guidance throughout the year and in all activities carried out. We were not obligated to make Charity Commissioner returns for the years ending 30/09/2019 & 30/09/2020 & 30/09/2021 as we were registered before 2019 according to Charity Commissioners rules.

Our financial position is volatile at the end of the year. We continue to be funded by government agencies, mainly Education Authority and Early Years Pathways.

We are still in a temporary residence in the Scouts Den on Russell Park Ave in Downpatrick. The rent is very expensive and about 3 times our previous rent. We hope to be moving to a new premises in early 2024. We are really looking forward to this and hope to expand our services.

We are still looking to increase our numbers with numbers enrolling. With Stormont closed, many grants have been put on hold or cancelled. We have seen a reduction in our income. Several activities were held which involved the families and the children together. This was a benefit to those involved.

We will continue to do our best for the Naiscoil children into the next year.

