

Trustees Report 2019-20

This report relates to Carnalridge Primary School PTA:

Carnalridge Primary School
135 Atlantic Road
Portrush
BT56 8PB

NIC number: 105346

Trustees

Chair	Clare Carruthers
Vice-Chair	Donna Hughes
Secretary	Emma McCaughern
Treasurer	Sarah Huston
Committee Members	Alison Hasson, Toni Patton, Lisa Verner, Rhonda Lynn, Ross Armstrong, Neave Andrews, Marian Murray, Jade Thorne and Hazel Harris

Constitution

The PTA is governed by its constitution. We have adopted the model constitution provided by Parentkind.

All committee members must be appointed at the PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Purposes

The purpose of Carnalridge PTA is to advance the education of pupils in the school in particular by:

- developing effective relationships between staff, parents and other associated with the school
- engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.

Public Benefit

Purpose 1:

Improved relationships between home and school.

The benefit which flows from the purpose includes funding from additional resources for the school and links built with the local community. This benefit is demonstrated through having an active PTA that works in partnership with the school and engages parental support.

Purpose 2:

Advancing the education of pupils at the school.

The benefit which flows from this purpose includes increased educational progress and attainment of pupils in the school and links built with the local community. This benefit is demonstrated through pupils having access to resources, events, activities and links with the local community which are not available through direct school funding.

Is there any harm arising from any of the purposes?

No harm arises for either purpose.

Who are the charity's beneficiaries?

The benefit is for the children at Carnalridge Primary School.

Is there any private benefit flowing from any of the purposes? Is it incidental and necessary?

Charity trustees (PTA committee members) are usually also parents at the school which their children attend and hence gain benefit in the same way as all other beneficiaries. This benefit is incidental and necessary to ensure the benefit is provided to all beneficiaries.

Main activities and achievements in the year

Christmas Fair: raised £2,224.76

The Christmas Fair was open to all school pupils, their families and the local community. There were craft stalls, refreshments, Father Christmas and fun activities.

Class Copper Boxes: raised £97.53

Christmas Cards and Gifts Fundraiser: raised £225.09

Non-uniform and donut sale days: raised £202.52 – these took place on the last day of term when there was no break trolley available.

Movie and Munch Night: raised £219.80

Pub Quiz Night: raised £380

We held a pub quiz at a local establishment in Portrush. All the proceeds raised on the night went towards Carnalridge PTA.

Easyfundraising: raised £294.96

Parents were encouraged to sign up to this website which donates money to the PTA.

Spend

This year the PTA have used £216 to fund the school text service which keeps parents informed of all event and activities taking place in school.

£3080.70 PTA funds was donated to the school to pay for the renewal of the license (3 years) for the Accelerated Reading programme.

The purchase of Mathletics at £972 was also approved rapidly by the PTA to support the whole school during the Covid-19 crisis home schooling period.

Various treats for the children throughout the year included an Easter Egg for each child £120, a Pizza Party for the class coin winners (P5) and a Mr Whippy Ice cream voucher for each child at approximately £120. The approach of these treats was to appeal to the whole school and in the case of the Easter Eggs and ice cream, were a gift from the PTA at the difficult time of school closure due to Covid-19.

Financial Review

The PTA financial year ran from 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020.

Opening balance	£6,843.93
Closing balance	£4,167.39
Total raised	£3,644.66
Total spent	£6,728.63
Surplus/profit	£3,759.96

Conclusion

In setting our objectives and planning our activities for the year, the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries.

Signed by:



C. Carruthers, Chair



D. Hughes, Vice-Chair



S. Huston, Treasurer



E. McCaughern, Secretary