

Trustees' Annual Report for Sacred Heart PS PTA

Administrative Details	
Financial year report relates to	1 st September 2023 to 31 st August 2024
The name of the charity as it appears on the register of charities	Sacred Heart PS PTA
Any other names it is known by	n/a
NI Charity Number	109583
Date 1 st registered	15/05/2023
Principal address of the charity	Sacred Heart Primary School, Tullyodonnell Road, Dungannon, BT70 3JE
Governing documents	Sacred Heart PS PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is an unincorporated association, governed by a constitution which was adopted on 31 st January 2023.
Membership	Members of the association are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the parents, guardians or carers of any pupil attending, • the teaching and non-teaching staff currently employed by Sacred Heart Primary School, Rock.
Appointment of Charity Trustees	Trustees are appointed by election at the Annual General Meeting of the members.
Charity trustees on the date the report was approved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Ciara McQuillan • Mrs Marion O'Toole • Mr Ciaran Gourley • Mrs Lisa Carlin
All individuals who served as charity trustees during the year	In addition to those listed above <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Cathryn Girvin • Mr Eamon Ward • Mr Joey Kelly • Mrs Donna Ruddy

Public Benefit Reporting	
Role of Charity	Sacred Heart PS PTA is run by a group of volunteer parents and staff to organise social events that develops and strengthens home-school relationships as well as occasionally raising funds to purchase educational resources for the children at Sacred Heart Primary School. The PTA also support the school by providing hospitality at school events and volunteering for roles in school such as gardening and after schools clubs.
Purposes of the Charity	<p>The purpose of Sacred Heart PS PTA is to advance the education of pupils in the school in particular by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing effective relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school, • Engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school, and • To advance the education of the pupils.
Public Benefits	<p>The Charity has two purposes;</p> <p>Purpose 1: Improved relationships between home and school.</p> <p>The benefit which flows from this purpose includes funding for additional resources for the school and links built with the local community. This is demonstrated through having an active PTA that works in partnership with the school and engages parental support</p> <p>Purpose 2: Advancing the education of pupils in the school.</p> <p>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 is demonstrated through pupils having access to resources, events, activities and links with the local community which are not available through direct school funding. This purpose does not lead to harm and the benefit is for children at Sacred Heart PS.</p>
How the charity has mitigated any harm flowing from its purposes	Neither purpose leads to harm.
Beneficiaries	Children aged 5 to 13 who attend Sacred Heart Primary School, Rock.
Restrictions on who can benefit	Benefit is restricted to pupils to attend Sacred Heart Primary School.

Private benefit	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.
<p>Activities and Achievements</p> <p>A summary of the charity's activities (the direct charitable activities, rather than fundraising or governance activities) and an explanation of how those activities have provided a benefit to the charity's beneficiaries</p>	<p>The PTA held a number of events for the school community and wider local community. These gave pupils access to activities which would not have been available through direct school funding. The events also helped to reinforce the relationship between parents and the school, as well as to help strengthen ties to the local community. Events were a coffee morning on 22nd October 2023, a table quiz on 4th November 2023 and a Christmas disco on 10th December 2023.</p> <p>The PTA purchased 10 laptops which benefited all pupils in the school to allow them greater access to the internet to support their studies and enhance their IT experience and knowledge.</p> <p>The PTA paid for the decor and equipment for a new Sensory Room. The Sensory room provides a safe and supportive space for students to escape the potentially overwhelming environment of a busy classroom and helps them learn how to manage their emotions.</p> <p>The PTA provided art therapy for pupils dealing with bereavement and complex social and emotional needs. Art therapy helped the children express themselves and find the words to talk about their thoughts, feelings and needs. The results included improved engagement in class and general wellbeing.</p> <p>The PTA funded the supply and installation of a polytunnel for the school. This is key outdoor learning space for the pupils enhances learning, mental health & wellbeing, and environmental awareness.</p>
Due Regard	The Charity Trustees confirm they have had due regard to the Commission's Public benefit requirement statutory guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which it is relevant.
A review of the charity's financial position at the end of the year	<p>The main fundraising activities of the PTA during the period of this report were the coffee morning, quiz night, Christmas disco and Easy Fundraising platform. A total of £3313 was raised.</p> <p>Prior to the 1st full financial year the PTA also benefited from the fundraising of £17,469 by 2 parents in the form of a 24hr walk on 28th April 2023. This money sustained much of the spending for the YE Aug 24.</p> <p>Expenditure included laptops, sensory room décor & equipment, Art Therapy, Polytunnel, event expenses and subscription to Parentkind, the membership association for school PTAs. Total expenditure in the period was £9788.</p>

	The PTA bank account balance as of 31 st August 2024 was £11,519.
Debts and Deficits	The PTA does not hold any debts or funds that are materially in deficit.
Any reserves policy	The PTA does not have a reserves policy.

Approved and adopted by a meeting of the Executive Committee on ^{1/2/25} ~~this date~~ and signed on their behalf:

Signed:

Marion O'Dole

Signed:

Ciara McQuillan

Print name:

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CIARA McQUILLAN

Position:

VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Position:

SECRETARY