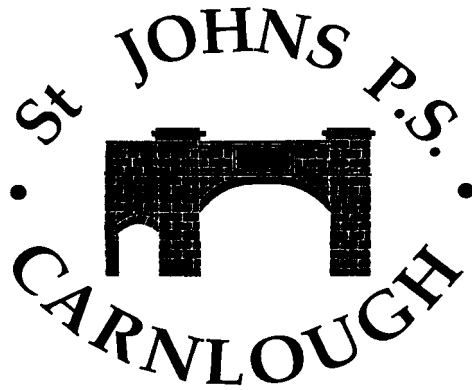


**St John's Primary School  
and  
Carnlough Community Nursery School**

**Board of Governors'  
Annual Report**



**2013- 2014**

# St John's Primary School and Carnlough Community Nursery School

## Board of Governors

### TRANSFERORS' REPRESENTATIVES

Rev. Fr.P.Forde  
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### SECRETARY Mrs M Haughey

St John's Primary School

### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### PARENTS

Mrs M Scullion

### TEACHERS' REPRESENTATIVES

Miss B Donnelly

### **The Role and Responsibility of the Board of Governors**

The Governors are ultimately responsible for the overall management of the school. They are required to meet for a minimum of three times each year but in practice meet much more frequently than this.

### **Some of their duties include:**

1. Promoting the Catholic Ethos of St John's Primary School
2. School Development Planning- ensuring SDP is being implemented and pupils have full curriculum provision.
3. Policy Review – ensure all policies are implemented.
4. Performance Management. Review academic performance. Set targets.
5. Admissions and Enrolment. Review trends and criteria. Ensure St John's offers an environment to fulfil all aspects of a child's education and wellbeing.
6. Staffing and Finance. Budget planning. Staff Audits.
7. Fostering links with the local community and pursuing the objectives of Mutual Understanding.

# St John's Primary School and Carnlough Community Nursery School

## Staff 2013/14

### Teaching Staff

Principal	Mrs Haughey
Nursery	Mrs Mc Garry
P1	Mrs McCartin
P2	Mrs Donnelly/Mrs O'Neill
P3	Mrs Black
P4	Miss Donnelly
P5	Miss Mc Alister
P6	Mrs McHugh
P7	Mr Kinney/Miss Loughrey

### Ancillary Staff

Mrs J Esler	Secretary
Mrs J McGaughey	Classroom Assistant
Mrs M Olphert	Classroom Assistant
Mrs Una Magill	Secretary
Mrs U Campbell	Classroom Assistant
Mrs A Campbell	Special Needs Assistant
Mrs P Magill	Caretaker
Mrs J McLoughlin	Cleaner
Mrs M O'Neill	Lunch Time Supervisory Assistant

### School Meals Staff

Mrs S Atcheson	Cook in Charge
Mrs L Wright	Kitchen Assistant
Mrs S Patterson	Kitchen Assistant
Mrs G Murphy	Kitchen Assistant

## Attendance

The percentage daily attendance for the year 2013/14 was **94.5%**

## Review of Past Year

### Staff

Following interviews held in Summer 2013 two new members of staff were appointed. Miss Laura Mc Alister was appointed to Primary Five for one year to accommodate an extension to a career break requested by Mr Emerson which the Governors endorsed. Mrs Claire Donnelly was appointed to cover for a maternity leave in Primary two. Mr Ciaran Kinney was successful at interview in taking up the position of Vice Principal in St. Patrick's and St. Brigid's Primary School Ballycastle in February. Miss Catriona Loughrey was appointed as substitute teacher of Primary seven for the remainder of the school year.

The Senior Leadership Team restructured with Mrs Mc Hugh continuing as Acting Vice-Principal and Miss Donnelly and Mrs O'Neill as coordinators for Numeracy and Literacy respectively.

### Staff Training

Member of Staff	Training	Venue	Date
Mr Kinney	WAU	Titanic Quarter	23 <sup>rd</sup> &24 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013 14 <sup>th</sup> &23 <sup>rd</sup> October
Mrs Haughey	SEN CPD	Stranmillis	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013
Miss Mc Alister	Induction	ABC	26 <sup>th</sup> September 2013 6 <sup>th</sup> November
Mrs Haughey & Mr Kinney	PSTT	Bristol	8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> October 2013
Mrs Mc Hugh Mrs Mc Garry	SEN Nursery pilot	ABC	15 <sup>th</sup> October 2103
Mrs O Neill Mrs Mc Hugh	SEN CPD Seminars	St. Brigids Ballymena	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2103 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2103 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2104 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2014 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2014 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2014
Mr Kinney	PSTT	St. Mary's Belfast	5 <sup>th</sup> November 2013
Mrs Black Mrs Mc Garry	ASD Training	ABC	6 <sup>th</sup> ,13 <sup>th</sup> ,20 <sup>th</sup> November 2103 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2013
Mr Kinney	CCEA	Ross Park Hotel	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2013
Mrs Haughey	*Effective Response to Bullying *Leadership in Nursery Schools *Sharing Good Practice *C2K Training *PSTT	ABC  St Marys Teacher Training College	27 <sup>th</sup> November 2013  2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2103  10 <sup>th</sup> January 2104 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2014

Mrs Black	Heartstart	ABC	22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2014
Mrs Haughey Miss Donnelly	PSTT	Mill Strand PS	27 <sup>th</sup> January 2014
Mrs Mc Garry	Child Protection Training	ABC	10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2014
Mrs Mc Hugh	SENCo Training	ABC	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2014
Mrs Mc Garry	Nursery SEN Training-Pilot A	ABC	6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> 23 <sup>rd</sup> March, 29 <sup>th</sup> April, 20 <sup>th</sup> May, 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2014
Miss Donnelly	Using Maths	Ross Park Hotel	6 <sup>th</sup> March
Mrs Haughey	PSTT	Manchester	16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2014

## Enrolment

Year	Total Applications	Total Admissions
<b>2011/2012</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>2012/2013</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>2013/2014</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>

Seventeen pupils were enrolled in Primary One in September 2013.

## Student Totals for Year Groups

Enrolment Status : Single Registration

Year	Males	Females	Total
Year 1	9	8	17
Year 2	13	11	24
Year 3	7	12	19
Year 4	6	13	19
Year 5	16	10	26
Year 6	10	11	21
Year 7	10	15	25
Year N	14	20	34
Totals	85	100	185

(for Mon 2nd Sep 2013)

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Year 2	7	12	19
Year 3	7	13	20
Year 4	16	10	26
Year 5	10	11	21
Year 6	10	15	25
Year 7	8	10	18
Year N	15	14	29
Totals	86	96	182

(for Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Jun 2014)

## **The Curriculum**

Under the Education Reform Order the responsibility of governors for the curriculum i.e. what is taught in the school, has been increased. The day-to-day organisation of the curriculum remains the Principal's responsibility. The Governors' control of the curriculum is mainly determined by the government.

It is however our responsibility to ensure that a broad and balanced curriculum is provided for all pupils. To this end the school implements the statutory requirements of the Northern Ireland Curriculum. Teachers continued to thoroughly plan, deliver and evaluate all aspects of the Northern Ireland Curriculum.

## **Literacy**

### **Accelerated Reading**

We are sincerely grateful to the PTA who continue to pay for the Accelerated Reading programme in school. Children are continuing to benefit and make great progress with this programme which is a very important part of the daily routine in school for P3-P7.

### **World Book Month**

Many activities were organised during the month of March in order to boost the area of reading within school. Mrs O'Neill held a 'bedtime reading' session for Foundation Stage children. Key Stage One children took part in a book treasure hunt and in Key Stage Two all children took part in a sponsored Readathon which they thoroughly enjoyed. On World Book Day all children were encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character.

### **Spelling Programme**

The embedding of 'The Complete Spelling Programme' continues in P3-P7. The programme allows for continuity and progression throughout Key Stage One and Two and teachers are seeing the benefit of the programme within their classes.

## **Numeracy**

A numeracy scheme for mental maths was put in place. Mental maths is timetabled into every teacher's planner and was a main focus this year.

The PTA bought new mental maths resources for each key stage to develop children's numeracy skills.

Good practice was shared throughout the year in different areas of maths and observed by the Numeracy Co-ordinator.

Schofield and Sims Mental Arithmetic books were purchased for all children in Primary Three to Primary Seven. Each child has a book to cater for their own individual needs. This is completed was a homework activity twice a week and marked collaboratively with the children in school.

Numeracy Planners were much more detailed and included learning intentions from each area of mathematics within the 6week planner.

Standardised tests were administered as well as submitting CCEA levels in accordance with the Levels of Progression.

## **Science**

With Mrs Haughey being a fellow of the Primary Science Teaching Trust St John's strives to promote Science throughout the Curriculum. Mrs Haughey has attended many courses and conferences accessing the most up to date research and resources to enhance the opportunities for the pupils not only in St John's but in neighbouring primary schools.

### CSi Transition Project

PSTT funded a transition project which involved St John's PS and three other feeder Primary Schools to St Killian's take part in solving a "crime". Principals and teachers came together to plan the project, with Teachers returning to St Killian's for training in delivery of the lessons. The culmination of the project was a final day held at St Killian's where the mystery was solved and all participants received an award. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the project- both adults and pupils!

### Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust Salmon Project

A "hatchery" containing salmon eggs was set up in the P7 classroom and all the pupils in the school were able to observe their development until releasing them in Glenarm river.

PSTT then funded transport to ensure the P7 pupils and pupils from Carnlough Controlled Integrated Primary School were able to travel to Bushmills Science centre to observe the following stages in the Life Cycle of the salmon.

### Primary BioSciences

The Primary 7 pupils were linked with an expert in the field of Bio Sciences – St John's were linked to a Psychologist who worked with the pupils to investigate how our brain works and examine the effect of interferences. It turned into a fabulous project with the pupils presenting their findings at Stormont.

### STEM Challenge

Following the Technology After schools club three pupils were selected to represent St John's at the NEELB STEM challenge. Although they were not placed the pupils enjoyed the experience and were great ambassadors for St John's.

### Mill Strand Beach Project

Mrs Haughey and Miss Donnelly attended training funded by PSTT at Mill Strand Integrated Primary School in Portstewart to develop a unit of work on making use of our closest resource!

## **SEN**

To assist in the identification of specific difficulties which children might experience, standardised tests in Mathematics and English were carried out and an Intelligence Test was carried out with P4 – P7 children. Again the Code of Practice and SENDO Legislation continued to be implemented; Individual Education plans were drawn up and children referred for further assessment to the Psychology Service when required.

Mrs Mc Garry and Mrs Black participated in ASD training at Antrim Board Centre on assisting pupils within the spectrum with the difficulties they meet during their school day.

### **SEN CPD Literacy Project**

Throughout the school year 2013-2014, Mrs Mc Hugh and Mrs O Neill attended the specialist seminars organised through Stranmillis University. This project had a specific focus on children with special educational needs in literacy. The project aimed to develop each teacher's competence and confidence in the ability to identify individual learning profiles; to develop each teacher's competence and confidence to match evidence-based interventions



to individual learning needs; to benefit each school through having a specialist teacher and building expertise in literacy development among the whole teaching staff; and to help teachers to identify children's literacy strengths and to address their difficulties. Mrs Mc Hugh, as the lead teacher, was required to submit three pieces of coursework for the award of two Master's Modules which she passed. All members of the teaching staff completed on line training in the following sessions: factors affecting literacy development and memory, the case for systematic phonics teaching, the teaching of reading, spelling development and independent writing, motor processing skills, assessing literacy difficulties and the inclusive school.

## *ASD Course Timetable 2013-2014*

Courses are in Antrim Board Centre

1.30-3.30pm

Date	Course Title	Teacher
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2013	Encouraging Social Development in Pupils with ASD	Mrs Mc Hugh
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2014	Education Plans for Pupils with ASD	Mrs Mc Hugh
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2014	Coping With Transitions: Managing Change	Mrs Mc Hugh
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2014	Working in Partnership with Classroom Assistants	Mrs Mc Hugh



## SEN Meetings

SEN	Date	Present
Meetings with Psychologist	9 <sup>th</sup> October 2013	Mrs McHugh Mrs Anita Homes
	4 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2013	Michael Barbour Mrs Haughey Mrs McGarry
	25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Mrs Anita Holmes Mrs McHugh Mrs Haughey
	12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Mrs Anita Holmes Mrs Haughey Mrs O'Neill Miss Donnelly
Meetings with Social Workers	9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Lynn Painting Bernie Agnew Mrs McHugh Mrs Haughey
LAC Review	28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mrs McHugh
Case Conference Attended	14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 12 Mar	Mrs Haughey
Meetings with Special Therapist		
Meeting with Paediatrician	24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Kiera Lindsay Claire Benley Mrs McGarry
ASD	8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Lois Montgomery Mrs McHugh

### Swimming

As part of the PE curriculum Primary 5, 6 and 7 attended swimming lessons in Larne Leisure Centre. Although transport is costly this is a very worthwhile part of the curriculum.

### Music Lessons

Mrs Mc Fetridge took piano lessons in the school on Tuesday mornings and parents paid privately for these lessons.

### School Council

During the month of September class council elections were held and two representatives from each class P3-P7 elected on to the school council. The council met monthly with Mrs Mc Hugh to discuss ideas to help make the school a thriving environment for all pupils. They met regularly with Mrs Haughey to discuss these ideas and as a result implement initiatives such as fund raising by holding a cake sale, for children in Uganda.

### ECO Friendly

#### Walk to School

Staff and pupils participated in Walk to School Week beginning on 19<sup>th</sup> May. This was very well supported by pupils, staff, parents and friends of the school.

### Energy Detectives Initiative

This was the second year of this project that P6 participated in funded by Larne Borough Council. Members the council met with parents to explain the project. Each child received an energy monitor to help establish good routines in saving energy in the home. Parents were an integral part of this project as they had to assist their child in reading monitors and discussing how to save energy. The council also funded a trip to Kilroot Power Station to let the pupils observe where electricity is stored.

### ABO Wind Topic

Mrs Pauline Davison visited P6 for six weeks in the winter term delivering a project on one aspect of renewable energy, namely wind power. The pupils participated in active learning within these lessons. An attempt was made to organise a visit to a wind farm in Belfast but due to a busy diary this was not achieved.

### RSPB

In term 2 Jo Mulholland and Catherine O Boyle visited P5 working with the children on how to carry out a bird count linked to the national bird count carried out at that time. Jo Mulholland returned to carry out a workshop on creating bird feeders which was great fun and educational.

### Eco Club

This was re-established this year and representatives from each class were voted onto the panel.

### NIE

The student teacher, Mr Patrick Mc Aleer organised for NIE to visit the school and talk to each class on how to keep safe near electricity.

## **Events**

### Opening Mass

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September there was a school Mass to celebrate the opening of the school year. This was attended by parents and parishioners. P4 attend each Monday in preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Other classes continue to attend mass on a rota basis ensuring children develop their spiritual needs and are well prepared for the other Sacraments.

### Anti-Bullying Week

This annual event took place on the week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> November 2013. Each class organised their own events within their teaching time incorporating elements of PDMU.

### Nativity

The Nativity was held in St John the Evangelist Church on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December for all classes and Carnlough Community Nursery. We are extremely indebted to Fr Forde for accommodating this event which as always is a very special occasion.

### Websites

St. John's updated their website and launched it at the assessment information evening in February 2014. Carnlough Community Nursery established their own website which was launched during their Open Evening on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013.

### Grandparent's Mass

During Catholic School Weeks a Grandparents mass was held in St John's the Evangelist Church. Many grandparents and friends attended and came to the school afterwards to visit their grandchild/grandchildren's classes. It was a lovely occasion which hopefully will be repeated.

### Sacraments

Primary 3 received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on 9<sup>th</sup> April.

Primary 4 received the Sacrament of the Eucharist on 31<sup>st</sup> May.

Primary 7 received the Sacrament of Confirmation on 24<sup>th</sup> March.

These were all very special occasions attended by family and friends in the church and afterwards in the school hall for refreshments. Many thanks to all the staff who assist during these religious occasions.

### Assessment Information Evening

This was held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2013. Parents were updated on assessment arrangements and given a report on their child's progress to date. Questionnaires were completed by those who attended with positive outcomes.

### June Fair

The PTA as usual worked diligently to ensure that despite the recession the June Fair was a tremendous success. Many thanks to all who helped in any way possible.

### Sport's Day

Sport's Day was held on 15<sup>th</sup> May. It was a lovely day and supported by many parents. Ulster School's Council and primary 7 provided support for organising the nursery activities for which we are very grateful. Many thanks to Miss Donnelly for co-ordinating this event.

### Student Teachers

Three student teachers from St. Mary's College in Belfast completed their teaching practices in St. John's and Carnlough Community Nursery. The teachers were assigned to primaries 3, 6 and the nursery.

### School Show-Oliver!

St. Johns Primary School produced Oliver which was the first show in the school since 1992. This was a fabulous event involving all pupils from P3-P7, with P6 and P7 taking the main lead roles. Invited guests from all community links attended, along with parents and friends. The show was a tribute to the dedication and commitment of the whole school community. A special word of thanks to Mrs Sylvia Mc Kavanagh for her musical expertise during this show.

### Prize Giving

The annual prize giving took place in St. John's the Evangelist Church on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014. The whole school community were invited to celebrate the successes of the pupils. The Principal took the opportunity to thank everyone for their support in ensuring pupils have access to a wide and varied curriculum while at the same time striving to develop each individual's potential. Guest speaker was Mr Terry Murphy head of standards from CCMS who praised the pupils and staff for their achievements and commended the school on the standard achieved in the high quality learning the teaching. Representatives from BOG, St. Killian's, CCA, PTA, AES, Mayor, Team kit, Larne Borough Council, Missionary Sisters of Assumption, PSTT, Mrs Sylvia Mc Kavanagh awarded prizes for a range of accomplishments to students throughout the school. Afterwards coffee and scones were served in the school for all attending. It was a great occasion to celebrate the success of the school community.

### **School Meals**

We would like to thank Mrs Atcheson and her staff for continuing to provide an extensive range of meals which are to the highest nutritional standards. All meals conform to the standards required by the school's participation in Healthy Eating Initiative.

## **Sport**

### After school activities 2013-14

There was an extensive range of after school activities offered to pupils from Primary 3 to Primary 7 this year.

Sporting activities changed every half term. All children thoroughly enjoyed the range of activities which included:

- Mini golf
- Rugby
- Basketball
- Netball
- Hurling
- Gymnastics
- Dance
- Soccer
- Camogie

The sporting activities were led by Miss B. Donnelly and qualified coaches from the Larne Borough Council.

### Other After School Clubs that ran throughout the year were:

- Art and textiles
- Choir
- Drama workshops
- Music club
- Healthy eating club

### Equipment

St. John's received new PE equipment from the Sainsbury's Active8 Programme run throughout the school. This included balls, cones, hurdles, javelins, cones and bibs.

### Coaching

Mr Dominic Mc Kinley delivered foundation coaching sessions in hurling and camogie to Primary 5, 6 and 7. The Ulster Council provided fundamental movement skills for nursery, Primary 1 and Primary 2 throughout the whole year.

### Club-School link

The school liaised with St. Johns Camogie Club and Shane O 'Neills Hurling Club to help develop participation levels within each club.

### Tournaments 2013-14

St. John's participated in several events throughout the year. Primary 5-7 children represented the school in an indoor and outdoor hurling and camogie blitz's organised by the by Cumann na mBunscol. The hurlers had great success achieving runners up for the second year running. A very enjoyable and competitive day was had by all.

A Primary 7 pupil received player of the tournament at the outdoor blitz and was commended on her natural skills and ability.

Primary 7 pupils represented the school in the Cumann na mBunscol quiz held in St. Ciaran's Cushendun. Other schools from North Antrim also attended the event.

### Rugby

An Ulster Rugby coach took a 6 week session on rugby for both boys and girls Primary 5-7. The children were due to enter a tournament but unfortunately it clashed with school holidays.

## **School Trip**

All classes took part in school trips throughout the year using the locality to promote learning within their topics. Primary 1 and 2 visited Carnfunnock. Primary 3 enjoyed their day in Carnlough at the beach. Primary 4, 5 and 6 visited Belfast Zoo. Primary 7 voted to have their last school trip at home on Carnlough beach.

## **Bushmills**

The annual residential trip to Bushmills OEC for Primary 7 took place from the 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2103. During this experience the pupils participated in a variety of outdoor pursuits. St. John's staff joined the group in the evening taking part in additional trips. On the final evening the pupils were joined by family members for a meal paid for by the PTA and demonstration of their newly acquired skills.

## **Charities**

This year we had a number of fund raising events to raise money for a range of charities including Trocaire and a special effort was made during Lent to raise money for the Missionary Sisters of Africa. Our school council elected to organise a fund raiser for Children in Uganda (TUNISP) after establishing a link with Mr Terry Murphy from CCMS.

## **Links With The Community**

### **School Choir**

The school choir is made up of children from primary 3 to primary 7. They had a busy year with preparation for the Sacraments, Nativity and the school production of Oliver! The school would like to thank Anna Rodgers for playing the organ at Holy Communion.

### **Parent / Teacher Association –**

The PTA continued to be very active and ran many successful events for parents, children and the local community. They organised Fire side quizzes, Christmas Raffle and the very successful June Fair. The Governors would like to thank all involved with the PTA events and would encourage as many parents as possible to support the group. The PTA used the funds this year to purchase many items the school would be unable to and allow the pupils the opportunity to participate in many events. This account is discussed and viewed at the AGM. Further information is available from the treasurer.

The Officer Bearers for the year 2013-2014:

Chairperson: Mrs Margaret Quinn

Vice Chairperson: Rose Armstrong

Secretary: Mrs Una Magill

Assistant Secretary: Mrs Martina Mc Keegan

Treasurer: Mrs Maureen Mc Veigh

## **Management**

A review of 2012-2013 SDP, a School Development Plan and detailed Action Plans for 2013-2014 were drawn up.

BOG Meeting 95 was held on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2013

BOG Meeting 96 was held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014

BOG meeting 97 was held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Finance Committee Meeting was held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2013

Finance Committee Meeting was held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2014

SLT meetings were held on Monday afternoons regularly throughout the school year. The minutes of these were forwarded to the Chair.

### Use of Development Days (Baker Days)


The training undertaken by staff reflect the sections in the *Every School a Good School document*: - **Effective Leadership, High Quality Teaching and Learning, Child-Centred Provision and A School Connected to its Local Community.**


	Date		FOCUS OF STAFF DEVELOPMENT
Baker Day	Day	Date	
Day 1	28 <sup>th</sup>	August	Assessment Analysis and Target Setting – Led by Mr Ciaran Kinney and SLT
Day 2	29 <sup>th</sup>	August	PRSD Child Protection Training- Led by Mrs Anne Marie Mc Hugh
Day 3	30 <sup>th</sup>	August	SDP – Self Evaluation and Focus For Development – Led by SLT
Day 4	18 <sup>th</sup>	April	SEN CPD Training For Staff- Led By Mrs Anne Marie Mc Hugh
Day 5	26 <sup>th</sup>	May	Analysis of Data and highlighting of under achievers for next school year
SDDs	Day	Date	
Day 1	27 <sup>th</sup>	Sept	Action Planning –Developing Role of Coordinators led by SLT
Day 2	28 <sup>th</sup>	Oct	Developing Links With The Community- Led by Mrs Haughey
Day 3	17 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	Internal Standardisation For Literacy and Numeracy-Led by Mr Ciaran Kinney
Day 4	5 <sup>th</sup>	May	SIMS Training- Led by SLT
Day 5	30 <sup>th</sup>	June	SEN CPD Training For Staff- Led Mrs Anne Marie Mc Hugh

## Assessment 2013-2014


- Pupils are tested at the end of Key Stage 1 (P4) and at the end of Key Stage 2 (P7). Tests are normally carried out around mid-May.
- Government targets recommend that the majority of children in **P4 will reach Level 2** and the majority of children in **P7 will reach Level 4**.
- Level 5 is the highest attainment at Key Stage 2 and Level 3 is the highest attainment at Key Stage 1.


## KS1 Results

English	% of pupils at level			
	w	1	2	3
 St. John's	0	5	74	21
NI	0	10	71	19

Maths	% of pupils at level			
	w	1	2	3
 St. John's	0	5	79	16
NI	1	9	71	19

## KS2 Results

English	% of pupils at level					
	w	1	2	3	4	5
 St. John's	0	0	0	42	58	0
NI	0	1	4	19	60	16

Maths	% of pupils at level					
	w	1	2	3	4	5
 St. John's	0	0	4	33	63	0
NI	0	1	4	18	55	22

Please note that only 29% of schools submitted data on their end of key stage results due to industrial action.



## **Links with Outside Agencies**

### Antrim Coast Lion's Club

As always the school receives overwhelming support from the Lions. This year they made their annual Christmas visit distributing a gift to every child in the school.

Once again the Lion's assisted at the June Fair organising the Barbecue, assisting with the Wheel of Fortune and helping to set up and clear away the premises.

### Carnlough Community Association

The annual trip to Stormont for Primary 7 pupils along with CCIPS and Seaview PS. This was a wonderful opportunity for the pupils and we are very grateful to all involved.

All pupils took part in the Christmas Card competition with the winning design being used for the official CCA card.

Mrs Haughey and Mrs Mc Hugh attended the opening ceremony of the mosaic which was designed and created by all the pupils in the school and exhibited at the Playground.

### St Killian's College

St John's continues to develop their links with St Killian's College which are developed for the benefit of the pupils and to enable the process of transition from KS2 to KS3 to be as seamless as possible given that the majority of the pupils transfer to St Killian's. Activities to enable this throughout the year have included a Taster Day for Primary 7 pupils, an Open Day, Faith Friends programme where pupils are mentored in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. St Killian's students have also visited St John's as part of their work experience.

### St Joseph's Primary School Dunloy

Mrs Haughey continues to work closely with Mr Mc Guckian gaining advice and expertise in Leadership and also in Teaching and Learning strategies.

### Missionary Sisters of Africa

Sr Mary Mc Ateer, a native of Carnlough currently works in South Africa. Having pledged money to her via her sister Mrs Catherine Mulvenna, Sr Mary has provided feedback directly to the pupils telling them what their money is being used for and providing photographs.

### NIFRS

Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service maintain very strong links with St John's. They supervise our Fire Drills and offer practical advice. They also visit the classes to provide advice on keeping safe particularly before Halloween.

## **Premises**

The Governors would like to thank Mrs Magill and Miss Mc Laughlin for their hard work around the school maintaining and keeping the school.

## **Thank You**

The Governors would like to express their sincere thanks to the Principal and staff (both teaching and non-teaching) of St John's Primary School. They are to be commended for their high level of commitment which has allowed high standards of achievement both inside and outside the classroom.

The Governors would also like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and wider community for their support of the school. During the year many events were organised for the school and local community which were enjoyed by everyone.

## St John's Primary School: LMS OUTTURN STATEMENT 2013-14

### SCHOOL'S BUDGET

TOTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO SCHOOL	£
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	£
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	£

### Carnlough Community Nursery

- Planning - new format being used to include more specific learning for underage children - proving successful and progress being made for these children.
- Record Keeping - paperwork being continually updated.
- Layout has changed again and play is now flowing more naturally - room for extra resources.
- Information for parents - newsletter providing information from different curriculum areas and ways to help the child at home.
- Website - launched and very positive feedback from parents. Raising the profile of Carnlough Community Nursery - Logo, staff uniforms, and perhaps look in to getting a new sign for the main road?
- An open night was held in December 2013.
- Christmas Nursery Fundraiser - raffle for a hamper, tickets sold by parents raised £277.
- Donation of £200 from the local community - will be used to purchase outdoor resources (sand pit, gravel pit, protective covers, etc).
- Garden over-haul - focus this term on outdoor play - gathering resources (natural/man-made) - children to search for items in the surroundings.
- SEN Pilot - participating in this and going very well - lots of information/ideas to put into practice.
- St. Mary's 4<sup>th</sup> Year Student - Anna Killough - 10 week placement from 27<sup>th</sup> January.

- SEN Pilot - attendance at several training courses relating to identification of SEN within the nursery. Lots of ideas and suggestions put into place.
- Lions Club donations to the nursery - brand new laptop and printer, and also a donation of £200.
- Mrs McGarry visits to other nurseries - Ballykeel Nursery, Ballyronan Playgroup, Kells & Connor Preschool and Templepatrick Nursery. Observation of good practice and advice on current matters.
- Planning/Evaluating/Observing - well established within the nursery - staff more confident and a better system is in place.
- Signs were put up above the play areas to make them more visible and defined.
- Visual timetable created and discussed every morning - giving the children a clear overview to routines of the session.