

HARMONY HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REPORT 2010/11

Introduction

The Board of Governors has pleasure in providing you with this Annual Report relating to the school year 2010/11.

The 2010/11 school year was another successful one for Harmony Hill Primary School both academically and in the wider aspects of the children's lives.

The school continues to be at the centre of the Lambeg community and continues to maintain a healthy enrolment.

The many achievements of our pupils are celebrated in our weekly newsheet for parents and back copies of this can be read on our website at www.harmonyhillps.org

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Mission Statement and Aims

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We are committed to providing high quality learning in a safe, caring and happy environment based upon respect for all. In partnership with parents and the community, we aim to provide positive and stimulating experiences which enable children to be lifelong learners in a changing world.

School Aims

- *To create a positive climate where everyone feels valued and encouraged.*
- *To encourage and develop a sense of self esteem.*
- *To encourage respect for self and others.*
- *To facilitate effective learning and teaching.*
- *To maintain a safe and orderly environment.*

The school was inspected by the Department of Education in March 2007 and an excellent report was published. This can be accessed at: www.deni.gov.uk.

Open Enrolment / Admissions/Attendance

In accordance with Department of Education requirements the school can admit up to 52 part time pupils in Nursery and 84 pupils in P1. The total number in the school (P1- P7) should not exceed 588.

By the 2010/11 year, an earlier significant change in Army organisation in N Ireland, had settled and enrolment returned to previous levels. PI and the Nursery Unit were both oversubscribed with applications.

The average pupil attendance level for 2010/11 was 96.1% compared to 95.3% in 2009/10.

Financial Report

Under the Local Management of Schools Scheme the school receives a budget allocation each year based primarily on the number of pupils enrolled and also a number of other factors including Special Needs, Premises Size, and Social Need.

Below is a summary report of the school budget for 2010/11.

Surplus from 2009/10	£	100 626	
Budget Allocation for 2010/11	£	1 700 251	
Total Funds Available	£	1 800 877	
Expenditure			
Teaching Staff Costs	£	1 314 828	
Non teaching Staff Costs	£	196 587	
Running Costs	£	142 900	
Surplus at end of financial year 31/03/11	+ £	146 562	

School Fund Account

The school fund account is maintained and used for incidental purchases or to subsidise activities for the children such as theatre visits or educational trips.

The principal sources of income for the account are the annual family donation and a small return from school photographs.

At the end of this report is a summary of the latest audited school fund accounts. We are greatly indebted to Mrs Judith Gibson for undertaking the auditing work.

Charities

The children and the families in our school community traditionally support a number of charities each year and the 2010/11 year saw similar generosity.

Action Aid	£	190.08	
RAF Wings	£	107.94	
Poppy Appeal	£	244.12	
Macmillan Cancer Care	£	555.00	
Dean of Belfast Christmas Appeal	£	850.00	
Lepra	£	4282.00	
TOTAL	£	6229.14	THANK YOU
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Pupil Attainment

Standards of pupil attainment continue to be of a high quality.

Transfer Procedure 2011

In 2010 the Department of Education ceased its earlier policy of setting tests to assist the process of entry to grammar schools.

Most grammar schools ran their own independent 'common entrance assessment' tests under the auspices of a banner organisation, AQE.

The 2011 results for Harmony Hill pupils were excellent and resulted in the following pattern of transfer :

Transfer to	Grammar	72%
	Non Grammar	26%
	Out of N Ireland	2%

End of Key Stage 2011 P4 and P7

Curriculum Levels		W	I	2	3	4	5
P4 English	N Ireland %	0.46	5.92	50.82	42.80		
	Harmony Hill %	0.00	0.00	39.74	60.26		
P4 Maths	N Ireland %	0.50	5.08	46.64	47.78		
	Harmony Hill %	0.00	0.00	34.62	65.38		
P7 English	N Ireland %	0.05	0.41	2.96	15.16	49.14	32.28
	Harmony Hill %	0.00	1.08	0.00	21.51	27.96	49.46
P7 Maths	N Ireland %	0.04	0.46	2.44	15.05	38.73	43.28
	Harmony Hill %	1.08	0.00	2.15	17.20	30.11	49.46

Child Protection

Mrs Alison Steele (Designated Teacher) Miss Rachel Loney (Deputy Designated Teacher) and Mrs Mary Potter (Designated Governor) continue to monitor the Child Protection and Pastoral Care arrangements in the school in conjunction with the Principal.

Policies on Child Protection, Anti-Bullying and Promoting Positive Behaviour are maintained and are available on request.

Parents' Group

Then school enjoys the support of an exceptional Parents' Group which organises a range of fundraising and social events. This source of support assists greatly with numerous investments in the school facilities and the children's learning and development. The invaluable work of the Parents' Group Committee is very much appreciated by the Board of Governors.

In 20010/11 some £16500 was donated to the school and assisted in the purchase of new desks and chairs for all the pupils and in the repainting of the school building.

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Analysis of Accounts - March - August 2011

Opening Balance	£9,853.66		
Accrued Lodgements	£5,259.80	Accrued Cheques	£495.19
W5	£48.00	Woodchester	£187.20
Artclub	£95.00	SF Float	£769.66
Book Bag	£28.00	Gymnastics	£140.00
Theatre Co	£110.00	National Trust	£204.40
Diversity	£90.00	Science Park	£168.00
Snowwhite	£632.00	PMP Publishing	£424.00
Tayto	£4.78	Stationery	£454.92
Irish Dancing	£420.00	Resources	£1,242.87
Planetarium	£38.00	Teleset - Franking Machines	£350.00
Teachers Christmas Dinr	£865.00	Manchester Trip	£4,508.23
PTA - Golf Day	£243.00	Castleward	£452.80
Oxford Island	£21.75	Swimming	£122.80
School Photo Comm	£300.40	Football	£180.00
Queries	£0.20	Titanic	£387.70
		Lisburn Pastoral Centre	£340.00
		Ulster Museum	£2.50
		Coca Cola	£162.26
		Zoo	£12.70
		IOM Trip	£4,150.00
		Bowling	£154.50
		Crawfordsburn	£10.00
		Folk Museum	£37.25
		Miscell	£326.44
		PTA	£500.00
		Subsistence	£405.00
		Closing Balance	£1,821.17
	£18,009.59		£18,009.59