

ORCHARD COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS 2018/2019





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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am delighted to present this copy of the Annual Report of the Board of Governors for Orchard Primary School for 2018-2019. Hopefully you will find this report interesting and informative.

This is a summary of the activities of Orchard County Primary School over the last academic year. This has again been accomplished by the team work of pupils, parents, staff and Board of Governors' members.

Our aim for Orchard County Primary School is to ensure that each child reaches their maximum potential in a caring environment that pursues excellence in education. There is much to celebrate as pupil numbers continue to grow to the point of capacity enrolment and over-subscription.

The school continues to make great use of our excellent facilities inside and out. We are very proud of our recently developed outdoor play facilities for Foundation Stage.

This report confirms that the entire school staff continues to work hard in preparing for and delivering the Statutory Curriculum within a caring and supportive atmosphere. The school's ongoing success in meeting those aims has again been underlined in the outstanding academic, musical and sporting successes of 2018-2019.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Miss McCann who worked at Orchard County PS as a classroom assistant for many years. We wish her well as she pursues her teaching degree and career.

The Board of Governors would also like to record their appreciation of the Parent Teacher Association which raises money for materials and equipment as well as raising the profile of the school in the community.

I welcome comments and opinions from parents on this report and any other issue concerning the school and its pupils. If you wish to comment or seek clarification on this report or indeed any aspect of school life please contact myself through the school office.

I commend this report to you and hopefully you will find it useful.

Yours faithfully,

K. Twyble

Kenneth Twyble

Chairperson to the Board of Governors

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS 2018-2019

Introduction

This report has been produced by the *Governors of Orchard County Primary School* and is a summary account of the work that we have undertaken in carrying out our responsibilities for the management of the school during the year 2018/2019.

This is the new Board of Governors for 2018-2022

The Governors

Chairperson

Mr K Twyble, Transferors' Representative

Vice Chairperson

Mrs J Clarke, Transferors' Representative

EA (Southern Region) Representatives

Mrs S Murphy

Mrs J Cherry

Transferors' Representatives

Mrs J Mullen

Mr R Dalzell

Parents' Representatives

Mrs C Davison

Mr D Bell

Teachers' Representative

Mrs M Davidson

Secretary and Non-Voting member

Mrs J McMillan

The *Governors* are required to meet for a minimum of three times a year but in practice meet more often than this. During the 2018/2019 academic year, the Board of Governors met four times.

The Role and Responsibility of the Board of Governors

The *Governors* are responsible for the overall management of the school including:

- The Curriculum
- Special Education Needs
- Assessment
- The school budget under the provisions of the Local Management of Schools arrangements.
- The school premises.
- The admission of pupils to the school.
- Child Protection

- Security and Personal Safety
- Management of staff
- Appointment of teachers and ancillary staff.
- PRSD
- Teachers' Salary Policy
- School policies.
- School inspections
- School holidays
- Annual Report
- Creating links with the local community and pursuing the objectives of Shared Education

Sub-Committees

Sub-committees have been formed to consider reports and to make proposals for consideration by the whole Board in the following areas of responsibility:

- Finance
- Recruitment
- Complaints

Final decisions are reached by the full Board of Governors. Overall responsibility for the day to day running of the school continues to rest with the Principal and she is also responsible for the monitoring of school spending and for advising the Board on any problems that may arise.

Board of Governor Training 2018-2019

Members of the Board of Governors have attended training on the following:

	TRAINING AND SUPPORT PROGRAMME
TERM 2	Strand 1 Child Protection Awareness Training ESags TV
	Child Sexual Exploitation ESags TV pg 1 & 2
	Introduction for New Governors - Mrs Davison and Mr Bell
TERM 3	Introduction for New Governors - Mrs Davidson
	EA online training - Introduction to the Addressing Bullying Act NI

SCHOOL ORGANISATION AND STAFFING 2018-2019

PRINCIPAL	Mrs McMillan
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CLASS	TEACHER	DAYS	NUMBER IN CLASS
Nursery	Mrs Kaestner	5 days	26
P1/P2	Mrs Davidson	Mon-Wed, Friday	31
	Mrs McCormack	Thurs	
P2/P3	Mrs Erwin	Mon-Thurs	32
	Mrs McCormack	Friday	
P4/P5 (Sept-Oct)	Mrs Neill	5 days	33
P4/P5 (Nov-June) (covering maternity leave)	Miss Barnes/Mrs Adamson	5 days	
P5/P6	Mr Crawford	5 days	33
P7	Mrs Allen	Mon, Tues, Fri	34
	Miss Barnes	Wed, Thurs	
SEN Withdrawal Teacher	Mrs McCormack	Wed	

SECRETARY	CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS	SUPERVISORY ASSISTANTS
Mrs J McCluskey	Mrs W Barker *Miss D Leonard Mrs G Boyd *Miss J McCann *Mrs B Kirkland Mrs J Beattie *Responsibility for individual SEN children	Miss D Leonard Mrs G Boyd Mrs M Mullen
NURSERY ASSISTANT	BUILDING SUPERVISOR	CLEANING STAFF
Mrs L McMahon	Mrs L Corrigan/Mrs M Mullen	Mrs M Mullen/ Mrs I Mullen
UNIT CATERING SUPERVISOR		
Mrs C Martin		

EA Peripatetic Teacher for Music Support
Mr W McClean and Mr R Bothwell

EA Peripatetic Teacher for Literacy
Mrs F Mullen

Extra Curriculum Activities Offered by Staff	Extra Curricular Support Offered by Outside Coaches
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hockey Netball Football Badminton Cross Country ICT Choir 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECO Guitar Kidercise Rugby Cookery Knit & Knatter Science Club
	Mr J McIlravie Rugby Mr C Wright Football Mr R Ballantine Tennis Mr N Cruise Guitar Mrs G Cullen Kidsize

SCHOOL HOURS

Nursery	8.50 am – 11.50 am
P1-P3	8.50 am – 1.50 pm
P4-P7	8.50 am – 2.50 pm
Break Time	10.30 am – 10.45 am
Lunch Time	12.10 pm – 1.00 pm

STAFF CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Whole School Training

Child Protection taken by Mrs Davidson

Please see development days for further information

NON-TEACHING STAFF IN-SERVICE TRAINING

Assistant	Training Course Title	Training Course Start Date
Miss Leonard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roots of Empathy 	09-11-18 01-02-19
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASD Awareness 	05-02-19
Mrs McCluskey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EA Admission Training 	28-11-18

Teacher	Training Course Title	Training Course Date
All Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Protection • Numicon Training • Athletics Training 	28-08-18 04-01-19 & 28-01-19 25-02-19
Mrs McMillan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Successful Implementation of the Addressing Bullying in Schools Act (NI) 2016 • Admission Training • Fire Safety Training • Supporting Pupils with Spelling Difficulties • C2K Primary eLearning Conference • Principals' Update on SEND Act • Craigavon Principal's Group • ETI Chief Inspectors' Report • School Leaders' Conference UTU 	08-11-18 & 09-11-18 28-11-18 21-01-19 12-02-19 12-03-19 29-03-19 14-03-19 05-04-19 11-04-19 & 15-05-19
Mrs Davidson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EPD Training - Teacher Tutor • Supporting Successful Implementation of the Addressing Bullying in Schools Act (NI) 2016 • C2K Sims • SENCO/SEND Training • Supporting Pupils with Literacy Difficulties • Induction Governor Training 	12-10-18 09-11-18 21-11-18 06-12-18 26-02-19 25-06-19
Mr Crawford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Aid Refresher • Coding Course CCEA • C2K Primary eLearning Conference 	01-10-18 & 02-10-18 09-10-18 & 16-10-18 12-03-19
Miss Barnes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C2K Manager Training • Delivering Shared Education in the classroom • Supporting Pupils with Literacy Difficulties 	30-10-18 22-01-19 26-02-19
Mrs McCormack	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASD Awareness 	05-02-19
Mrs Kaestner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine Motor Skills • Getting Ready to Learn 	25-02-19 25-02-19
Mrs Allen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Pupils with Literacy Difficulties • C2K Assessment - Data Analysis 	26-02-19 03-05-19

LIAISON WITH PARENTS

This school has an Open Door Policy and encourages parents to take an active part in their child's education and school activities and events.

The school seeks to inform parents of school activities through Parent/ Teacher Interviews in November and February, Individual Education Plans (as necessary throughout the year), Questionnaires, a September 'Meet the Teacher' Parents' Meeting, an Annual School Report - issued in June 2019, new parent induction days and other specific school events including Book Fairs, Coffee Morning and Sports Day.

The P7 parents were given guidance on the transfer procedure. Annual SEN reviews are conducted with parents, SENCO and relevant teachers.

PTA

This year the school asked the PTA to help purchase replacement interactive boards for the classrooms in the school and new school ties for the P7 leavers. A great team of parents, staff and pupils enjoyed a year of fundraising activities, which included designing Christmas cards and mugs and creating memorable events such as a Glow Party, a very successful Christmas Fair complete with Santa's Grotto, a Class Coin Collection, an Easter Hop'N'Bop and a Popcorn, Pictures and Pyjamas Night. We were very pleased that they raised a total profit of £5,722.23, which covered the cost of purchasing four airpots to assist with catering events at the school, the leavers' ties and two interactive Imex boards.

We look forward to seeing what can be achieved in the year ahead. All parents are very welcome to come along to meetings which usually take place on the first Thursday of each month in the P7 classroom between 7-8pm.

The PTA continues to be a member of Parentkind and is still waiting to be called forward by the Charity Commission to formally register as a charity.

NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE

The Orchard County Newsletters and school website continue to provide daily information which celebrates school achievement and prepares families for all activities.

Our school website, which was established with School Web Design for the main school and nursery, enables you to view pupils' class activities which are regularly displayed. Information/forms/menus/letters are also available for parents.

The school app can be downloaded on to parents' devices to aid effective communication. Messages and emails can be sent directly to parents.

CROSS PHASE - LINKS WITH LOCAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Staff from local Secondary Schools visited the school and spoke to P7 pupils. P7 pupils also visited local Secondary Schools for a musical, activity based days and Open Nights.

DESTINATION OF SCHOOL LEAVERS

We had 34 P7 pupils transferring to 5 different post primary schools.

Clounagh JHS	30
Killicomaine JHS	1
Royal School Armagh	1
Royal School Dungannon	1
Dungannon Integrated	1

THE CURRICULUM

The Governors are confident that Orchard County Primary School continues to provide a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment and offers a great variety of learning opportunities suitable to the needs of each pupil. Staff expertise and resources are well utilised to assist each child as they strive to reach their maximum potential. Due to reduced government and EA finance, the staff attended fewer courses organised by RTU, CCEA, ETI, the EA and other agencies but they have still been able to keep up to date with the ongoing changes and developments within education via online training and Shared Education courses.

The staff continues to engage in a range of strategies to support under achievers in both literacy and numeracy. Additional SEN support was again given both individually and in groups alongside Reading Partnership Sessions and Literacy support from a teacher within the EA's Literacy Peripatetic Service.

ACHIEVEMENT

Academic progress has been maintained on every level and our reports reflect a school where the vast majority of children appreciate the importance of striving to always give their best. Our high level of good manners and respect for others has always been maintained and most importantly, both inside and outside the classroom, pupils have further developed the excellent name of Orchard County Primary School.

All classes have been involved in leading whole school assemblies and parents are very welcome to attend when their child's class is leading assembly.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

- 2018/19 was a very busy year in the life of Orchard County. There was great success in and out of the classroom this year. As usual the children have had the opportunity to take part in a wide range of after school activities: hockey, netball, football, rugby, tennis, badminton, cross country, ICT, Eco, craft, cookery, choir, knitting, kidercise and guitar clubs. The girls and boys took part in numerous tournaments.
- The year started with a brilliant coffee morning organised by the P7 pupils and raised £1,333 for **MacMillan Cancer Care**. This is always so well supported and is a great school and community event.
- In term 1 Mrs McCluskey trained the P6/7 pupils for the Flahavan's Primary School Cross Country League trials and one of our P7 pupils brought home a bronze medal.
- In October we were delighted to receive our second Green Flag Award.
- In October we also enjoyed a brilliant Glow Party organised by the PTA.
- In November we had our annual school bookfair and, with the commission, we were able to add £700 worth of books to our Accelerated Reader Scheme.
- Two of our old white boards were replaced with two new Interactive panels. One of these was funded by our fantastic PTA. The PTA also organised a very successful Christmas Fair in December which was a great community event and raised over £2000.
- We have also been supporting local charities this year. In December we had a Christmas Jumper Day and raised £200 for Save the Children. In February we had a whole school fitness day, combining our fundraising with Mrs McCluskey's fundraising (from running the London Marathon). We were able to present **£2350** to the **Air Ambulance**.
- In January four P7 pupils represented Orchard County PS very well at the ABC NI Primary School Road Safety Quiz.
- In March we had a fantastic World Book Day. Teachers read stories to other classes. We also had a book swap.
- Some P6 and P7 pupils represented school at the K'nex Challenge in March and again in June at the University of Ulster.
- In March we had another great PTA event, the coin collection which raised £420.
- In April, our choir again took part in the Portadown Music festival and won the Gertrude Magee cup for 1st in hymn singing and were 2nd by one point for the two contrasting pieces.
- In April we had a very successful Outdoor Education week. We had animals visiting, tractors in the carpark and made some fantastic scarecrows that guard the school and our beautiful grounds. We were delighted to have Davison's Simply Puddings in demonstrating how to make their beautiful desserts.

- 34 P7s attended a three day residential at the **Share Centre**, Lisnaskea. The pupils participated in a range of outdoor activities. Special thanks to Mrs McMillan, Mr Crawford and Miss Barnes who gave up their time to accompany the pupils on the trip.

- Nursery - Getting ready to Learn Project. This year our Nursery was successful in receiving funding as part of the 'Getting Ready to Learn Project'. Nursery pupils and parents were able to avail of resources such as the Big Bedtime Read and Happy Healthy Kids.

- Sport

Rugby- The boys took part in the Primary School Development Blitz, Gilpin Fun Blitz and the Shelbourne Fun Blitz. The team also visited the Kingspan Stadium and met some of the Ulster/ Irish rugby players.

Swimming- P6/7 attended swimming lessons in term 2 and 3 and we participated in the Small Schools' Swimming Gala. Some of our pupils also represented our school at Schools' Championships.

Football- boys and girls participated in a number of tournaments this year with the boys getting runners up in the Richmount tournament.

Hockey- the girls enjoyed participating in a number of tournaments this year.

Netball- the girls again took part in the ABC Netball league and reached the cup section on finals day.

The Governors would like to thank the staff for all their efforts in training the pupils and taking them to the many tournaments.

- P7 entered the **Eason's Spelling Bee** competition and one of our P7 girls represented our school at the Co Armagh final.
- P7 also entered the Rotary Writing competition and again we had a P7 girl winning her category with her brilliant story.
- The school was awarded the runner up prize in the Southern Primary Schools' Section of the **Best Kept School Award**.
- There was another very successful P5 **Musical Pathways** concert in June.
- A great sports day was organised and all pupils achieved really well.
- Shared Education - The partnership with St Patrick's PS continued in its second year. All pupils from P1-P7 were involved. The pupils enjoyed many trips and we were able to purchase many new resources through the funding provided. The year finished with a special celebration day to showcase the projects.
- Miss Leonard shared the Roots of Empathy programme with P5/6.

School Development Plan

Following a staff audit, a School Development Plan and detailed Action Plans for 2018-19 were discussed, agreed and presented to the Board of Governors. Link Governors met with subject co-ordinators as they shared their action plans for Year 2 of the School Development Plan to bring about improvements. The plan is amended during the three years to take account of the changing needs of the school.

School Policies

The staff, in consultation with pupils, parents and governors, has produced a wide range of pastoral care and curriculum policies that are suited to the needs of current legislation, good practice and the Revised Curriculum. This year the following policies were reviewed - Safeguarding, Complaints, Twitter, GDPR/Privacy Policies, Extreme Weather, Code of Conduct, Fire Safety, Personal Care, Allergies and Anaphylaxis, Mobile Phone, and Whistle Blowing.

Governors, parents, pupils and school staff have been consulted on all of these.

School Council

Two pupils from each class (P4-7) formed the School Council. They met on a number of occasions throughout the year. They discussed various issues and came up with ideas to improve school life for all pupils. They organised rotas for watering plants, picking litter and raising funds for school.

School House Reward System

This year the House Reward System continued, based on a number of different challenges eg good manners, good work and behaviour. Pupils were able to earn tokens for their house and work towards a termly prize.

ASSESSMENT

Due to an ongoing dispute over assessment in Primary Schools, Teaching Unions have recommended that schools do not report levels to the Department of Education. Pupils' individual levels were reported to parents of P4 and P7 pupils.

Pupils in P3-P7 completed Standardised Assessments in English, Mathematics and CAT (intelligent tests) during term three. Parents were informed of the outcome of all assessments at the end of year written report. The majority of standard assessment was completed online.

Attendance

The school actively discourages parents from removing children from class during term-time and we acknowledge parental support in the school's excellent 96.2% attendance rate for Nursery to P7 for 2018/2019.

Punctuality

Punctuality continues to be good for the vast majority of children and we commend both parents and pupils for this. Unfortunately, there are a small number of pupils who regularly arrive late and this is not only detrimental to their own learning but also disrupts the education of others. Picking children up promptly at collection times is also essential to the smooth running of the school. Parental cooperation is greatly appreciated.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The 2018/2019 calendar was again action-packed and busy. The pupils have been provided with a wide variety of opportunities and experiences. The Governors wish to record their appreciation to the staff who provide these experiences for all pupils.

		Key Events and/or Visitors 2018/2019
AUGUST	30th	Beginning of Autumn Term
SEPTEMBER	5th	P5-P7 Singing at Mothers' Union, Annaghmore Parish
	6th	Shared Education Meeting with EA PTA Meeting
	7th	P4/5 Shared Education Planning Day
	11th	Imex Board demo P4/5 Shared Education Planning Day
	12th	Portadown Times photographer - P1 photo P6/7 Shared Education Planning Day
	13th	School alarm service
	14th	Language & Communication team in school Shared Education Meeting with EA
	17th	Student in for work experience (Primary) all week Imex Board demo - all staff
	18th	P1-3 Shared Education Planning Day Student in for work experience (Nursery) all year
	19th	P4/5 Shared Education Tyrone Courier photographer - P1 photo
	20th	Shared Education - Link teacher planning day
	21st	Roy Clements (photographer) to take pictures of school life
	24th	P5/6 Visit to Loughgall - Orange Tree Festival
	26th	P4/5 Shared Education
	28th	Macmillan Coffee Morning
OCTOBER	1st	After Nursery Club starts
	2nd	School photographer
	3rd	P4/5 Shared Education Library Van KS2
	4th	PTA Meeting National Poetry Day BOG Meeting
	5th	Cross country - Lurgan Park
	8th	Shared Education Week
	9th	P1-3 Shared Education
	10th	P4/5 Shared Education Student in for work experience (Primary) 3 days

	11 th	Eco Green Flag assessment
	16 th	P1-3 Shared Education
	17 th	NSPCC Talk P4/5 Shared Education
	18 th	P7 RRR Talk by ABC Council PRSD Meeting
	22 nd - 26 th	Parent/Teacher Meetings
	23 rd	Nursery trip to Peatlands NSPCC/O2 Parents' Online Safety Workshop
	26 th	Football tournament
	29 th	Rugby Tots demo P2/3 Pirate dress up day PTA Half Term Glow Party
	31 st	Half Term
NOVEMBER	1 st	Half Term
	2 nd	Half Term
	6 th	P1-3 Shared Education
	7 th	Student in for work experience (Primary) all year
	8 th	PTA meeting
	10 th	AQE
	12 th	Nursery Assessment
	13 th	Nursery Assessment Book fair Tennis starting
	14 th	P5 NI Fire Service Talk P7 NI Assembly Outreach Book fair
	15 th	Flu Vaccine Bookfair
	16 th	Nursery walk at Loughgall Park Bookfair
	19 th	Shared Education Meeting with EA
	20 th	P1-3 Shared Education
	21 st	P1 Mackey Eyecare Student in for work experience (Nursery) all year
	23 rd	School Council Meeting
	24 th	AQE
	26 th	Student in for work experience (Primary) all week
	30 th	Cross Country - Palace Stables
DECEMBER	1 st	AQE
	3 rd	School and Nursery Open Day
	5 th	Christmas Craft Fair
	6 th	Nursery Trip to Planetarium

	10 th	Shared Education Meeting with EA
	11 th	Nursery Nativity
	13 th	School Christmas Dinner
	14 th	Christmas Jumper Day P4-P7 House Quiz
	17 th	P2/3 Assembly Book Scoop (Numeracy and Literacy)
	20 th	Party Day
	21 st	Last day of Autumn Term
	24 th - 31 st	Christmas Holidays
JANUARY	1 st - 4 th	Christmas Holidays
	7 th	Spring term begins Imex second board demo
	8 th	P1-3 Shared Education KJHS play (P7)
	9 th	New admissions administration morning Dungannon Integrated - Talk to P6/7
	10 th	P6/7 Swimming starts
	14 th	Save the Children Talk Killicomaine JHS - Talk to P6/7 Shared Education Meeting with EA
	15 th	P1-3 Shared Education
	16 th	P6/7 Shared Education
	17 th	P6/7 Swimming
	22 nd	Air Ambulance talk
	23 rd	P6/7 Shared Education EPD Observation - JMcM & HB
	24 th	P6/7 Swimming
	26 th	AQE Results
	30 th	Road safety quiz
	31 st	P6/7 Swimming
FEBRUARY	1 st	Jo Jingles in Nursery
	5 th	P2/3 Trip to Armagh Planetarium Nursery Trip to Portadown Library
	6 th	P6/7 Shared Education
	7 th	P6/7 Swimming Fitness Freddy Day PTA Meeting BOG Meeting
	11 th - 15 th	Parent Teacher Meetings
	11 th	Rugby Demo

	13 th	P5/6 Trip to Navan Centre
	14 th	P6/7 Swimming Nursery Boogie Beat
	15 th	School Audit - Mr R Dalzell Annual Reviews
	18 th - 22 nd	Half Term
	26 th	Nursery Superhero Day IFA Football Coach in for P4/5 & P5/6
	27 th	Nursery Princess Day Netball matches at King's Park PS Fire extinguisher testing
	28 th	P6/7 Swimming Netball Match - St Francis PS Autism Service in school
MARCH	1 st	Fire safety first - testing in whole school
	4 th	P4/5 Assembly P1-3 Shared Education - W5 Literacy Screener in school
	5 th	IFA Football Coach in for P4/5 & P5/6 PAT Testing in school
	7 th	P6/7 Swimming World Book Day Story Telling class swap K'Nex Competition Shared Education Meeting with EA
	11 th - 15 th	Hope for Youth Ministries 11.00-11.45
	11 th	Shared Education Workshop - Stage 2 Funding
	12 th	IFA Football Coach in for P4/5 & P5/6
	13 th	P6/7 Shared Education ABC Netball Coach
	14 th	P6/7 Swimming
	19 th	Shared Education Meeting with EA IFA Football Coach in for P4/5 & P5/6
	20 th	P6/7 Shared Education
	21 st	P6/7 Swimming Nursery Boogie Beat
	22 nd	Nursery Jo Jingles
	25 th	P7 Rugby Coaching - Portadown RFC
	26 th	IFA Football Coach in for P4/5 & P5/6 Shared Education P5-7 Evaluation Day
	27 th	Nursery Trip to C & J's Animal Park P1/2 Shared Education Evaluation Day

	28th	P6/7 Swimming
	29th	PTA Copper coin weigh in P4/5 Shared Education - Carrickfergus Castle Nursery - Mother's Day Celebration
APRIL	1st	P4/5 Shared Education Evaluation Day EA Numeracy Co-ordinator in school P7 Rugby Coaching - Portadown RFC
	2nd	Portadown Music Festival Starts
	3rd	Choir singing in Craigavon Civic Centre Rugby - Primary Schools Development Blitz
	4th	P6/7 Swimming Tennis Demo Shelbourne Fun Blitz - Rugby PTA Meeting
	5th	Spring 7s Festival - Football Cycling Proficiency starts
	8th	Outdoor Education Week Davison's Simply Puddings demo in Assembly Hall Making Scarecrows Nursery Trip to Quality Time, Banbridge P7 Girls Speech & Drama - Armagh Rugby Tots
	9th	P1-P3 Trip to Peatlands ECO day
	10th	Portadown Music Festival ends Term 2 House Prize Tractors outside school Lambs in school
	11th	Sentinus bridges workshops with P7 Gilpin Fun Blitz (rugby) P6 Speech & Drama in Armagh Hop and Bop PTA Easter Disco
	12th	Easter Egg Hunt Last day of Spring Term
	15th - 26th	Easter Holidays
	29th	Beginning of Summer Term
	30th	Photographer - Teams and P7 Leavers Spelling Bee Competition
MAY	1st	Shared Education Evaluation Day
	2nd	School closed - election
	3rd	P5-7 Shared Education - Lisburn Omniplex
	6th	Bank Holiday
	7th	Assessments start

		IFA Football Coach in for P4/5 & P5/6 Netball Tournament - ABC - Lisburn
	8 th	Rugby team visit to Kingspan Stadium
	9 th	Extra swimming session for gala
	13 th	Assessments KA and EMcC - lunch at Seagoe with Rotary Club - Literacy prize
	14 th	Swimming Gala Richhill Girls' football tournament IFA Football Coach in for P4/5 & P5/6
	15 th	Richmount PS Boys' Football tournament
	16 th	P7 Sentinus visit
	20 th	P5/6 Assembly Assessments RE Inspection EA Budget Meeting
	21 st	School nurse to visit P1s
	22 nd	Richmount Girls' Football tournament Nursery Trip to Castle Dillon
	23 rd	School closed - election
	24 th	Half Term
	27 th	Bank Holiday
	28 th	Half Term
	29 th	P1/2 Trip to the Zoo
	30 th	Rise training on managing children's anxiety parents' afternoon PTA Meeting
	31 st	Sports Day practice Educational Psychologist in school
JUNE	3 rd	Sports Day practice
	5 th	Air Ambulance presentation Psychology screening
	6 th	BOG Meeting
	7 th	P1-3 Shared Education Celebration Day Nursery Sports Day Nursery Father's Day event Roots of Empathy Celebration Musical Pathways Concert Girls' Hockey Tournament - Richmount Boys' Football Tournament - Drumgor
	10 th	New P1 Parents P7 Residential - Share Centre
	11 th	P7 Residential - Share Centre Educational Psychologist in school
	12 th	P7 Residential - Share Centre

		PTA Cash and Clobber clothing collection
	13 th	Educational Psychologist in school
	14 th	Nursery transition breakfast in P1 Tennis tournament - Annaghmore Church Hall Hockey Match
	17 th	P1/2 Assembly Student in for work experience (Primary) all week New Nursery Parents Girls' Football Tournament - Waringstown Clounagh JHS visit to school
	18 th	Best Kept School Award - Stranmillis
	19 th	Sports Day
	20 th	PTA Movie Night
	21 st	Reach Assembly Nursery & P1 Teddy Bear's picnic
	24 th	School reports issued this week Paraguay group in Assembly from Annaghmore Parish STEM K'nex sentinus challenge - University of Ulster Tennis
	25 th	Final Assembly
	26 th	Nursery Graduation
	28 th	Last day of Summer Term

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

With the introduction of LMS (Local Management of Schools), each school receives an annual budget, which is largely based on the number of pupils attending the school, with other factors such as the number of free school meals and pupils with Special Educational Needs also being taken into account.

The LMS budget report covers the financial year from April to March.

Total school budget for the year	£516,836 + £73,727 carry over. Total budget £590,563
Total school expenditure for the year	£512,048
Total budget carry over	£78,515

SCHOOL FUND

School fund is generated from income such as donations which are requested at the start of September which helps to assist the school with affiliations fees, supporting transport for school trips, prizes and additional resources for the school. This account is audited annually.

CHARITIES

1st SEPTEMBER 2018 - 31st AUGUST 2019

The School has been able to donate a total of £3298.75 to the following charities	
Wings Appeal	£31.75
Macmillan Cancer Support	£1333
Poppy Appeal	£230
Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day	£200
Air Ambulance	£1504

ORCHARD COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA 2018-2019

INCOME	£	EXPENDITURE	£
Opening Balance 31-08-18	260.80	Airpots for events	86.00
Textile Recycling	764.00		
Glow Party Income	665.30	Glow Party Expenses	194.80
Name the Teddy Income	80.45	Name the Teddy Expenses	22.98
Christmas Card and Mug Sales	1,349.00	Christmas Card and Mug Expenses	925.09
Christmas Fair Income	2,625.87	Christmas Fair Expenses	295.81
Class Coin Collection	420.82		
Easter Hop 'N' Bop Income	695.00	Easter Hop 'N' Bop Expenses	132.95
Sports Day Refreshments	173.50		
Popcorn and Pyjama Night	432.85	Popcorn and Pyjama Expenses	43.04
Easy Fundraising Shopping	45.11		
Uniform Sale	85.00		
		2 Orchard County PS Imex Boards	5,450
		Parentkind Membership and Insurance to May 2020	110.00
		P7 Leavers Ties	189.21
		Credit Balance 14-09-19	147.82
	<u>7,597.70</u>		<u>7,597.70</u>

USE OF BAKER DAYS/STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS 2018/2019

	Date	Key Focus for Development
1	Monday 2nd July	Classroom Management
2	Thursday 23rd August	Classroom Management
3	Friday 24th August	School Development Planning Management - time-tabling, yearly calendar, etc. Roles and Responsibilities Classroom Management
4	Tuesday 28th August	Safeguarding Team Meeting Child Protection Annual Training SEN/ICT Literacy Intervention Prog. Class Data and Planned Intervention Classroom Management
5	Wednesday 29th August	Shared Education Day- planning for the year ahead with the St Patrick's staff
	Thursday 30th August	School starts for P1 and Nursery (1/2 day) Staff Centralised Health Awareness Training Asthma Awareness- AN Food Allergy Awareness- JE Anaphylaxis Awareness- MC, JE & HB Diabetes Awareness- MC Epilepsy Awareness- MD & MC
	Friday 31st August	School Starts for P2-P7

Development Days (Exceptional Closures - Additional to Holidays)

	Date	Key Focus for Development
1	4 th January 2019	ICT - Amma training at St Ps
2	22 nd February 2019	Reading Development- Accelerated Reader
3	15 th April 2019	Record Keeping FS/KS1 Assessment & Play planning
4	24 th May 2019	Assessments/Reports
5	28 th May 2019	Assessment Data

THANK YOU

The Governors wish to again record a very special thank you to the Principal, the Senior Managers and the excellent staff (both teaching and non-teaching) here in Orchard County. We are blessed with a committed, hard-working and dedicated staff. In everything they do, the children are considered first and we thank each and every one of them for their commitment to this school and for the support they continue to give to the Principal.

The Governors also sincerely thank the parents. They continue to support our staff efforts so enthusiastically and they have continued to listen and trust the staff with their children's education. Our pupils, parents, teachers and governors continue to work brilliantly as a team and this partnership will continue to develop as we aim to ensure each child is always happy and actively learning. We would like to sincerely thank the hardworking PTA who organise fund raising events to provide a necessary and major source of funding.

Finally, as usual the Governors wish to thank the most important group involved with school life - the children. We want to say a big thank you to them for listening to, their teachers and all of their helpers and giving their best throughout the year. They all gave their very best and, most importantly, always respected our school staff and our school rules throughout the year. Without doubt, they have again done us, their parents and, most importantly, themselves proud throughout the 2018/2019 school year.