

Friends of St Olcan's Primary School

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107890

Details

Status Received

Registered 2020-09-23

Register [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

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Activities

Purposes: The purpose of the Association (the Purposes) is to advance the education of pupils in the school in particular by: 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 advance the education of the pupils.

What the charity does: The advancement of education

How the charity works: Education/training, General charitable purposes

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds), Parents

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£4,096	£7,155	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mrs Bernie Dallat		
Mrs Kelly Mckay		
Mrs Moira Mclean		

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**Income and Expenditure Account for Friends of St Olcan's Primary School
Parent Teacher Association
Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Income		
Grant	1,131	-
Digital Dynamites	-	1,966
Bingo Fundraiser	2,782	2,542
Other Fundraising	183	956
	<u>4,096</u>	<u>5,464</u>
Expenditure		
PA System & iPads	3,585	-
Maths Scheme	2,759	-
Digital Dynamites	-	2,034
Key Stage 2 Books	-	800
School Trip Subsidy	535	526
Leavers Hoodies	68	497
Other expenditure	50	352
Subscription	125	119
Bank Fees	33	77
	<u>7,155</u>	<u>4,405</u>
Excess of expenditure over income	<u>(3,059)</u>	<u>1,059</u>
Assets Statement		
Bank Balance as at 01 April 2024	2,298	1,239
Loan	1,500	-
Decrease in reserves	(3,059)	1,059
Bank Balance as at 31 March 2025	<u>739</u>	<u>2,298</u>

This financial statement is an accurate reflection of the books and records maintained by the organisation.

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Annual Income & Expenditure Statement

Sep'23 to Aug'24

Detail	£
Opening Balance	687.19
Income	3,396.48
Expenditure	1,799.74
Closing Balance	2,283.93

Income Detail

19/10/2023	Sponsor - Marine Hotel	80.00
23/10/2023	Sponsor - JMK Electric	80.00
27/10/2023	Sponsor - Fibrus Networks	80.00
07/11/2023	Sponsor - E L Construction	80.00
08/11/2023	Sponsor - Thomas Devlin	80.00
10/11/2023	Sponsor - The Dallat Group	80.00
19/10/2023	Sponsor - High Street Dental	80.00
23/10/2023	Sponsor - Ballycastle Credit Union	100.00
04/12/2023	Bingo Proceeds	2,026.00
20/12/2023	Colouring Competition	54.00
02/02/2024	Sponsor - JMK Electric	121.28
20/03/2024	Cake sale	387.20
25/03/2024	Easter Bonus Ball	148.00

Expenditure Detail

06/10/2023	Bank Fees	10.95
20/12/2023	Panto & Cinema	526.00
02/01/2024	Bank Fees	13.11
14/02/2024	AlphaGraphics Cards	119.00
05/03/2024	Key Stage2 books	800.00
21/03/2024	Mitchell Designs	289.00
08/04/2024	Bank Fees	27.62
05/04/2024	Bank Fees	14.06

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Chairpersons Report 2023/2024

Overview

At the end of my first year as PTA Chair, I look back with an overall sense of satisfaction and pride for what we have achieved as a school community. It has been an eventful but enjoyable year. As Chairperson, I have sought to be inclusive to all who serve on the committee and to parents who support the vital work we do to support the principal and staff at St. Olcan's Primary School.

The role of Chairperson is a busy, yet valuable one, I am hugely thankful for Kelly (Secretary) and Moira (Treasurer) for the valuable work they have done throughout the last year. I am grateful to all member of the PTA for their efforts this year also. You have given up your time to support our efforts in enhancing the school for the pupils. This is very much appreciated.

A word of thanks to Mrs Kennedy and the staff at St. Olcan's Primary School for their help and support in our fundraising efforts. The staff go above and beyond, the pupils greatly benefit from all our efforts. Special word of thanks to all the families and friends of the school. They have always supported our events and see the real benefit of PTA work alongside the school. I firmly believe that the whole community sees the work that is done here in this school setting. Their continued financial assistance allows the PTA to further support the schools ever challenging budget and give the pupils the best opportunities in Primary School.

Since this committee took on its tenure from the previous office bearers there has been huge efforts in our fundraising post covid. I want to thank the previous committee for their seamless handover last the AGM last year. The work carried out by the committee this year is a testament their commitment in supporting our children to learn in the best environment possible. The success of fundraising events post covid can be built upon to enhance the work the school does.

Since last years AGM, our PTA have raised £3396.48. This is a fantastic effort and coming from several events throughout the school year. These events have included:

Christmas Bingo:	£2541.50
Christmas Colouring Competition:	£54.00
School Leaver Hoodies:	£144.50
Alpha graphic Cards:	£121.28
Spring Cake Sale:	£387.20
Bonus Ball Fundraiser:	£148.00

Concluding Remarks:

As my tenure as Chairperson comes to an end, I take great pride that as a committee we have increased volunteer participation. This in turn has increased the profile of the PTA. There are many other things I wished we had done this year. Ideas like cleaning the external parts of the school building, have an indoor Christmas market in the parish hall, come dine with me, coffee mornings in the GAA club or parish hall, the return of Christmas bingo, end of school year disco for all the children.

Perhaps these are ideas for the incoming committee can look at in the months/years to come. We have seen positive turnout for our AGM and throughout the year out committee meetings have been well attended. These are the best forums to continue the efforts of this PTA.

As a group we should continue strive to improve events we offer to the pupil and the local community. What we do adds significant value to the community both in school and at home. As a group of volunteers, there is always jobs to be done, if you are a friend or parent with a connection to the school, you are welcome to help the work we do. You don't always need to be part of a committee, there is no minimum or maximum time that can be offered, all support is gratefully received.

Thank you for all your support in 2023/24.



Gerard McIlroy

Chairperson

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Friends of St Olcan's AGM

Attendance:	Gerard Mcllroy , Nuala Hennessy, Karen McClean , Mrs Kennedy, Miss Bonnar, Bernie Dallat, Ciara McCormick, Aine Cassley	
Apologies:	Jillian Squires, Leah McCaughan, Moira McLean, Patricia McLean.	
Agenda Item: AGM Proposed	Presented by:	Actions
Proposed by Bernie Dallat Seconded by Nuala Hennessy		AGM Commenced
Agenda Item: Outgoing Chair Report	Presented by: Gerard Mcllroy	Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair Report attached to the minutes. 		Bank Accounts to be changed into correct names following tonight's AGM
Agenda Item: Outgoing Treasurer Report	Presented by: Gerard Mcllroy (Moira on leave)	Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer Report attached to the minutes. 		
Agenda Item: Vote a new committee	Presented by: Mrs Kennedy	Actions
<p><u>Independent review of finances:</u> Anthony Kennedy Proposed – Gerard Mcllroy Seconded – Nuala Hennessy</p> <p><u>Vote for Chairperson:</u> Gerard Mcllroy: Proposed – Nuala Hennessy Seconded – Karen McClean</p> <p><u>Vote for Secretary:</u> Kelly McKay Proposed – Aine Cassley Seconded – Ciara McCormick</p> <p><u>Vote for Treasurer:</u> Moira McLean Proposed – Gerard Mcllroy Seconded – Kelly McKay</p>		New committee confirmed and AGM Closed.

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Minutes of Friends of St Olcan's AGM 21st November 2023

Attendance

Patricia McClean (Chairperson)

Moira McLean (treasurer)

Kelly McKay, Leah Mc Caughan, Jillian Squires, Nuala Hennessy, Lorna McGivern, Patricia Mulholland, Bernie Dallat and Sonya McFall.

Apologies

Maria Kennedy, Karen McClean, Nuala Maguire, Karen McErlean, Michelle McAlonan, Gerard McIlroy, Sam Squires, and Eileen Bonnar

Chairpersons Report

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Election of Committee for 2023-2024

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Further Business

After election of the committee there was a short meeting to discuss bingo fundraiser. (See Page 5)

Friends of St Olcan's AGM

Tuesday 21st November 2023 — 7pm

Chairperson's report

Last year's AGM was held on the 29th of November so moving on from there our fundraising started with our usual kid's artwork Christmas cards, which made £188.05. These seem very popular among parents, and we have gone ahead with the same this year. We then held our Xmas colouring competition which although made just a small amount of money, the artwork provided a cheery atmosphere to the children's concert.

Last year we applied to DEARA and Fibrus and successfully obtained 2 grants of £1270.75 and £1966.00 respectively which enabled us to buy 5 iPads for the school and some monies was used for the after-school ICT club digital dynamites.

Early in the new year we held a couple of online bonus ball raffles for Peter Kay concert tickets and a Tropic Skincare hamper, these together raised just over £600. Many thanks to Michelle and Nuala for their work and donations for this.

As we reached the end of the school year, we helped with the cost of sending the children off on their school trips and contributed to the P7 leaver hoodies.

We had our first meeting of the current 2023/24 school year on the 16th of October, and we were delighted to see some new members joining the committee with new enthusiasm and new fundraising ideas. From that meeting we are currently planning our Christmas bingo fundraiser which will be held on Sunday 3rd December. The appeal for sponsorship for this has been answered fantastically with over £1100 raised.

So although it was a relatively quiet year in terms of fundraising events we still managed to raise just over £4200.

Finally, I'd just like to thank everyone for their continued support throughout the year and a special thanks to Michelle as secretary and Moira as treasurer, and to Nuala and Gerard for their time and effort searching for and applying for additional funding resources. Well done everyone.

Election Of Friends of St Olcan's Committee

Tuesday 21st November 2023 7pm

Chairperson

Name	GERARD McILROY
Signature	<i>Gerard McIlroy</i>

Proposed	
Name	Signature
NUALA HENNESSY	<i>Nuala Hennessy</i>
Seconded	
Name	Signature
PATRICIA McCLEAN	<i>P. McClean</i>

Treasurer

Name	MOIRA McLEAN
Signature	<i>M. McLean</i>

Proposed	
Name	Signature
PATRICIA McCLEAN	<i>P. McClean</i>
Seconded	
Name	Signature
NUALA HENNESSY	<i>Nuala Hennessy</i>

Secretary

Name	KELLY MCKAY
Signature	<i>Kelly McKay</i>

Proposed	
Name	Signature
LEAH MCCAUGHAN.	<i>Leah McCaughan</i>
Seconded	
Name	Signature
JILLIAN SQUIRES.	<i>Jillian Squires</i>

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Main points for bingo planning

- Bingo books from Philip Christie, Nuala H. To collect
- Need to check chair numbers and possibly borrow from club rooms, these will have to be brought to the hall. (volunteers needed)
- Bingo Machine - Gerard
- Bingo Caller - Gerard assisted by Kelly on the floor
- PA system - Naomh Pdraig- Nuala?
- Selling books and raffle tickets at front of hall - Lorna, Bernie, Trish & Moira
- Tea/Coffee at back of hall - Patricia, Sonya, Leah (maybe a couple more people for kitchen)
- Tuck Shop - Nuala H
- Car parking - Paddy H
- Hall clean up - Malachy doing floor and putting tree up other cleaning on Friday 11am
- Could we get heating checked during the week?
- Hall set up, equipment check Saturday 11am
- Open hall 1.30 on Sunday to setup Tea/Coffee and heat on.
- Going to use cardboard to lean books on - keep boxes and cut up. Check if there are bingo clipboards anywhere in the hall.
- Plan to have 3 games, break, 3 games, raffle and then final game.
- Kelly doing poster of sponsors for hall, (and a raffle poster??)
- Sponsors will be read out and thanked at the beginning of bingo and just before the last game
- Trish getting coffee cups, spoons, napkins, raffle tickets, tablecloths, bin liners
- Raffle tickets will be £1 strip or 6 for £5
- Volunteers needed for some Xmas baking ??

Any missed plans will be communicated through PTA What's App group

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Notes
Bank Fees
Hoodies & 50:50 Raffle
50:50 Raffle
St Olcan's PS (Parentkind)
Donna Mitchell (Hoodies)
Impact Printing 50/50 Envelopes
50:50 Raffle
Paid from Armoy Primary
Colour Run Sponsorship
Colour Run Sponsorship & 50:50 Raffle
Bank Fees
Activity NI Ltd
Bank Fees
Cake Sale
St Olcan's PS (Pantomime)
EA/LMS (Interactive Whiteboard)
Colouring Competition
Bank Fees
Class Fundraising Cards
<i>Hennessy N Loan</i>
Nuala Hennessy
St Olcans PS (Ipad Covers)
<i>Hennessy N Loan</i>
Tropic Raffle

Income

