

Scoil Mhuire Gleann a' Chaisil

School Fundraising Policy

The Fundraising Policy recognises and endeavours to adopt the values that are set out in the ethos of the school. It attempts to support and sustain a harmonious environment in which potential is nurtured through the co-operation between staff, pupils, parents, board members and all other relevant parties.

Reasons for Fundraising Activities in Glencastle National School

Fundraising may be carried out at any time in and/or on behalf of Glencastle NS for the following reasons:

- 1) to fund day-to-day expenditure incurred in running the school
- 2) to fund purchase of additional classroom resources or Special Equipment not provided for through other funds, including DES grants;
- 3) to fund special projects, e.g. equipment for Special class;
- 4) to fund extra-curricular activities for children in our special classes.
- 5) to support charitable works.

Conformity with Glencastle National School ethos:

All fundraising carried out in and/or on behalf of Glencastle National School must be consistent with the school's ethos and policies and must not compromise the school's good name.

Role of the BOM in Fundraising:

All fundraising events carried out in and/or on behalf of Glencastle NS must have prior approval of the Board of Management or principal of our school. The BOM has primary responsibility for fundraising on behalf of Glencastle NS in relation to clauses 1), 2), 3) and 4) of Section 1 (above). All monies raised by fundraising on behalf of Glencastle NS, for the purposes specified in clauses 1), 2), 3) and 4) of Section 1 (above), must be remitted promptly to the school account, with the exception of monies required to cover necessary expenses, including fundraising expenses and general PA expenses.

Participation of pupils in fundraising activities

Pupils of Glencastle NS may participate in fundraising activities only:

- 1) with the permission of the principal
- 2) with the permission of their parents

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3) where fundraising is undertaken for a charitable purpose in the context of classroom activities. Where pupils participate in a fundraising event, it is the responsibility of those organising the event to ensure that pupils are not exposed to any risk of physical or emotional harm.

Sponsorship

An offer of sponsorship of Glencastle NS or of Glencastle NS fundraising events must be considered in the same way as other fundraising activities. In particular, before accepting sponsorship, fundraisers should have regard to the ethos and existing policies of the school and should satisfy themselves that the sponsorship will not adversely affect the good name of the school.

Inclusiveness

The organisers must ensure, as far as practicable, that Glencastle NS fundraising events are, in general, inclusive of all members of the school community.

Unsolicited Donations

Glencastle NS welcomes altruistic donations to support the work of the school and improve the learning environment of its pupils. The Board of Management must be informed of any unsolicited donations.

Success Criteria:

- School compliance with legislative requirements and principles of good practice
- Positive feedback from parents in relation to fundraising
- Positive feedback from teachers, pupils, community, the board of management and other related agencies

Implementation, Ratification and Review

This policy will be reviewed yearly or sooner should the need arise.

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