

Report

Report to: Date of Meeting: Report by:

Education Resources Committee 21 May 2024 Executive Director (Education Resources)

Subject:

Award of Grant: Clore Duffield Foundation

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
 - inform members of the award of grant funding of up to £96,000 to St. Columbkille's Primary School, Rutherglen for the purpose of enhancing and enriching pupil experiences within Expressive Arts

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
 - (1) that the award of grant funding from the Clore Duffield Foundation of up to £96,000 to St. Columbkille's Primary School, Rutherglen, for the purpose of enhancing and enriching pupil experiences within Expressive Arts, be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1. The Foundation was established by Sir Charles Clore in 1964 and in 2000 was merged with the Vivien Duffield Foundation to become The Clore Duffield Foundation. It is now chaired by Sir Charles Clore's daughter, Dame Vivien Duffield. Its main activities are to develop programmes and partnerships to create opportunities for people through art, culture and heritage in the UK.
- 3.2. A successful application for a grant award was made by St Columbkille's Primary School in December 2023, following a thorough assessment process, with the purpose of giving every pupil in the school an experience of:-
 - being taught each of the expressive arts by a highly experienced professional from that sector
 - consolidating their learning by experiencing a live performance in each of the expressive arts
 - being exposed to a range of culturally rich experiences

St Columbkille's Primary School has a primary roll of 305 pupils and a nursery roll of 48 pupils.

4. **Project Overview**

4.1. The first phase of the whole school Project (January – June 2024) involves a series of 6 week blocks to be delivered by specialists from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in the areas of drama, dance, art and music in a series of 'in school' sessions.

- 4.2. In addition, every class will have the opportunity to visit the Royal Conservatoire where they will experience arts tuition in a specialist environment.
- 4.3. Whole school visits have taken place/are planned as follows:

January	Drama performance: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
March/April	Kelvingrove Art Museum
May/June	Topic related visits
June	Heads of Ayr
December	Scottish Ballet: The Nutcracker

By the end of session 2023/24, all classes will have experienced four visits.

4.4. In order to secure legacy benefits from the experiences of the Project, there will be investment into refurbishment of the school stage, curtains, backdrop, lighting and sound system.

This will enable the school to deliver high quality drama, dance and music productions to enable children to further develop and showcase the skills learned from the workshops and experiences in which they have been involved.

5. Employee Implications

5.1. There are no employee implications attached to this report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1. The grant award will be paid in line with the terms and conditions of the Grant, to the Council's General Account and be monitored in line with the Council's financial procedures.

7. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

7.1. There are no significant implications for climate change, sustainability and the environment arising from the recommendations in this report.

8. Other Implications

8.1. There are no implications for risk in terms of the information contained in this report.

9. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 9.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and, therefore, no impact assessment is required.
- 9.2. Consultation and engagement on the award of grant funding from the Clore Duffield Foundation took place with pupils, staff and parent/carer representatives of St. Columbkille's Primary School.

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Link(s) to Council Values/Priorities/Outcomes

• Education and learning: inspiring learners, transforming learning, strengthening partnerships

Previous References

None

List of Background Papers None

Contact for Further Information

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