

Local school calls on kind-hearted community to help replace old and broken iPads

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A local school with 200 students is calling on the community to help them fund a new set of iPads to replace their old, broken and outdated ones that they currently have.

Sacred Heart Primary School is a single intake primary at the heart of its community, based next to Sacred Heart church in the Central Ward of Barrow.

The school has been educating children for more than 100 years and originally the church was on the top floor and the school downstairs.

Generations of families attend the school and children are being taught by their parent's teachers.

Sacred Heart is a wonderful school that has been praised for its caring and welcoming atmosphere.

Having recently opened a new nursery, the school now accommodates 200 students, aged 2-11.

Bernadette Barnes, Headteacher of Sacred Heart said: "We want to raise the aspirations of our pupils to inspire them to achieve and succeed in life and work on improving their quality of life in the future.

"Our vision is to inspire a love of learning by providing an exciting, challenging and creative curriculum that is supported by innovative and relevant use of technology.

"We are looking to purchase 5 new iPad's to replace our old iPad 2's which are becoming obsolete in February 2018. They are an invaluable way to help our children communicate and motivate them to learn and engage.

"We are very proud of our curriculum where children learn to question and discuss their learning. Our teachers use many different styles of activities to accommodate the many different learning styles our children have. All of our teachers will use the iPads to enhance the classroom experience and allow all children, regardless of ability or need, to engage.

"As part of our drive to ensure our pupils get access to a creative and relevant curriculum, we have embedded the use of iPads in the classroom to improve workflow and make their learning relevant and accessible to all.

"We have had our current iPads for many years and they are showing signs of wear and tear. The iPad 2 operating system is becoming obsolete in February 2018 which means that most apps will be unusable and there will be no further updates for these products. Purchasing a new set of iPads would mean we can continue with the work we have started and give our children the best start in their education.

"The iPads will be used as a whole class teaching tool across the curriculum, especially in ICT lessons. The new set would be future-ready so that students can use the latest apps and learn the newest functions."

The school are hoping to raise enough money to buy 5 new iPads at a total cost of 1545.30, so far the fundraising has reached 660 via their online funding campaign on Rocket Fund, which will end in 13 days.

The school is hoping if they reach over their initial target they might be able to buy more than 5 iPads.

To donate please [click here](#) to visit their Rocket Fund campaign.



