

REPORT TO: DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL EDUCATION COMMITTEE 18 MARCH 2002

REPORT ON: FUNDING TO SCHOOLS TO SUPPORT SCIENCE STRATEGY FOR SCOTLAND

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

REPORT NO: 223-2002

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report brings to the attention of the Education Committee an allocation of £126,800 to Science Year and the Science Strategy for Scotland. The funding is ring fenced for science projects and targeted on resources and activities to support these projects. This report proposes a distribution of these funds to schools in Dundee City Council.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The Education Committee is recommended to:

- i) note the provision of £126,800 ring fenced for the development of science.
and
- ii) approve the distribution of funds as set out in Appendix I.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Dundee City Council has been given a Special Grant of £126,800 from the Scottish Executive. This additional funding is ring fenced to support science projects. SEED require that this funding be spent or distributed to schools in the current financial year. This funding will be distributed to schools as set out in Appendix I.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 In supporting the development of science education in schools this funding will help young people in Dundee to access to the skills, knowledge and information needed to enable everyone to play a full part in society.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Nil

6.0 REPORT

6.1 The Science Strategy for Scotland emphasises the importance of science education in schools in developing a culture that is comfortable with scientific thinking and which encourages young people to pursue science related subjects.

6.2 Dundee City Council would wish to endorse this view and to actively promote the development of science in our schools as a key element in providing young people in Dundee with the skills demanded by our developing high tech industries. In primary schools the current review of Environmental Studies has identified the need to provide additional equipment to support science and technology. In secondary schools there are continuing demands for equipment to meet the demands of revised curricula in S1/2 and for National Qualifications. This additional funding by the Scottish Executive will therefore complement the work currently going on in our schools to develop science and will give schools the opportunity to upgrade and widen the range of equipment and resources to support this work.

6.3 It is proposed that the funding be deployed to schools on a formula basis which will give all schools a base allocation plus a per capita allocation to take account of the numbers of pupils on the school roll. Appendix I gives details of the allocation to all schools. The funding is ring fenced (in accordance with SEED advice) for expenditure on science activities and resources.

7.0 CONCLUSIONS

7.1 This funding will give schools a valuable addition to their resources for science and will help take forward Dundee City Council current initiatives to develop science in schools.

8.0 CONSULTATION

8.1 The Director of Finance and the Director of Support Services and headteachers of city schools have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

9.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

9.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

The Scottish Executive require that this funding be spent or distributed to schools before the end of the current financial year. In view of the timescales involved and to allow schools to proceed quickly to deploy this funding this report was approved by the Director of Education in consultation with the Convener and Opposition Spokespersons.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Director of Education

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Convener, Education Committee

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Spokesperson, SNP Group

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Spokesperson, Conservative group

FUNDING TO SCHOOLS TO SUPPORT SCIENCE STRATEGY FOR SCOTLAND

School	Basic Allocation	Pupil Roll	Per Capita Allocation	Sub Total	Nursery Class Allocation	Total Allocation
Secondary Schools						
Baldragon	3000	706	627	3627		3627
Braeview	3000	783	695	3695		3695
Craigie	3000	787	699	3699		3699
Grove	3000	875	777	3777		3777
Harris	3000	1295	1150	4150		4150
Lawsidde	3000	900	799	3799		3799
Menziesshill	3000	887	788	3788		3788
Morgan	3000	987	876	3876		3876
St John's	3000	949	843	3843		3843
St Saviour's	3000	640	568	3568		3568
Primary Schools						
Ancrum Road	1500	441	392	1892		1892
Ardler	1500	107	95	1595		1595
Barnhill	1500	431	383	1883	250	2133
Blackness	1500	353	313	1813		1813
Brackens	1500	317	281	1781	250	2031
Charleston	1500	119	106	1606	250	1856
Clepington	1500	475	422	1922		1922
Craigiebarns	1500	448	398	1898	250	2148
Dens Road	1500	321	285	1785	250	2035
Douglas	1500	211	187	1687	250	1937
Downfield	1500	311	276	1776		1776
Eastern	1500	350	311	1811	250	2061
Fintry	1500	374	332	1832		1832
Forthill	1500	467	415	1915	250	2165
Glebelands	1500	407	361	1861	250	2111
Gowriehill	1500	314	279	1779		1779
Hillside	1500	327	290	1790		1790
Lochee	1500	207	184	1684	250	1934
Longhaugh	1500	359	319	1819		1819
Macalpine	1500	356	316	1816	250	2066
Mid Craigie	1500	171	152	1652	250	1902
Mill of Mains	1500	241	214	1714	250	1964
Mossgiel	1500	135	120	1620	250	1870
Newfields	1500	244	217	1717	250	1967
Our Lady's	1500	191	170	1670		1670
Park Place	1500	212	188	1688		1688
Powrie	1500	230	204	1704	250	1954
Rosebank	1500	214	190	1690		1690
St Clement's	1500	229	203	1703		1703
St Columba's	1500	143	127	1627		1627
St Fergus	1500	204	181	1681		1681
St Joseph's	1500	274	243	1743		1743
St Luke's & St Matthew's	1500	206	183	1683		1683
St Margaret's	1500	211	187	1687	250	1937
St Mary's	1500	344	305	1805	250	2055
St Ninian's	1500	175	155	1655	250	1905
Ss Peter & Paul	1500	301	267	1767		1767
St Pius	1500	178	158	1658		1658
St Vincent's	1500	191	170	1670		1670
Sidlaw View	1500	260	231	1731	250	1981

Whitfield	1500	261	232	1732		1732
Special School Kingspark	1500	150	133	1633		1633
Nursery Schools						
Ardler Nursery	500	70	62	562		562
Bellfield Nursery	500	70	62	562		562
Cotton Road Nursery	500	50	44	544		544
Fintry Nursery	500	70	62	562		562
Woodlea Nursery	500	70	62	562		562
Jessie Porter Nursery	500	70	62	562		562
Kirkton Nursery	500	50	44	544		544
Law Nursery	500	80	71	571		571
Longhaugh Nursery	500	60	53	553		553
Menzieshill Nursery	500	70	62	562		562
Park Place	500	80	71	571		571
Wallacetown	500	70	62	562		562
Whitfield Community EY	500	30	27	527		527
Frances Wright	500	70	62	562		562
Off Site Provision						
Avrom House	500			500		500
Balerno	500			500		500
Castlepark	500			500		500
Connect 5	500			500		500
Dudhope	500			500		500
The Elms	500			500		500
TOTALS	103000	21179	18807	121807	5000	126807