

Scholarship Programme Spring Newsletter, 2014

What is the Scholarship Programme?

The Providenciales Primary Scholarship Programme has been central to the development of our school community and educational philosophy for the past 22 years.

Due to our current economic climate, combined with a shortage of places within the government schools, requests for admission to our school are becoming more common. Our programme aims to support families within the local community who require assistance with tuition costs. While the school itself offers some partial scholarship places, we are unable to meet all the requests for financial assistance.

Many families approach our school due to the combination of our high academic standards and our individual and creative approach to learning.

In recent months we have organized a couple of fundraising events that will allow us to extend the reach of the programme.

In this newsletter, we hope to give you some

information on how our fundraising efforts have been progressing while taking time to thank our generous supporters.



Alison Williams

Director, Providenciales Primary School

Fundraising for 2014 already well underway!

Fundraising for the 2014-2015 academic year began in November. All proceeds from our events have been allocated to our General Scholarship Fund, where they will can be allocated to families according to need.

A Night of Music and Art

Our first Scholarship Fundraiser for the 2013-2014 year was a Night of Music and Art. We are extremely fortunate to have Teacher and Artist, Charlotte Chapman on our staff and she worked with some of our students to produce art work to sell at this event. She also very kindly donated a portion of her own artwork sales to the Scholarship Programme.

Musicians Perry Delancy, Brentford Handfield



and Shara Bowen played for the evening and a fun time was had by all who came out to support us.

The *Night of Music* raised
\$5.233.

Par 3 Challenge and Raffle

We were fortunate to enjoy a busy and sunny weekend of golf at Provo Golf Club in January, for the TCI's *first ever* Par 3 Charity Challenge. The interest in, and support for, the programme was overwhelming among the resident members and visiting golfers. After some fantastic golf, we were able to raise over \$2200 on the Par 3 Challenge, in addition to \$800 through our raffle.

We offered an outstanding array of prizes, donated by local resorts and businesses. The event was sponsored by *The Beach House* and *Blue Haven Resort* and we thank them for their involvement.

We hope to develop this event in future with new ideas, making it even more enjoyable and enticing!

~ Mr Toby



Our progress this year:

In the last academic year we were able to raise over \$24,000 in fundraising. All of these funds have been allocated to students in this 2013-2014 academic year.

So far this year, through the *Night of Music &* Art and Par 3 Challenge and Raffle, we have raised over \$7,250, in addition to another \$10,100 in pledges. These two events launched our fundraising efforts for the year and we hope to build upon this total in the coming months.

As many of our scholarship families receive partial scholarships, these funds go a long way! We generally contribute between 25-75% towards tuition fees, with an overall average of 40-45%.

Consequently, the funds raised last year supported 7 children. If these figures remain the same going into the 2014-2015 academic year, we will have already raised enough funds to support 5 students in their continuing education.

We are very happy with these figures, but still need to work on other fundraising efforts to raise the funds that our scholarship families require for the coming year.

Look out for our parent talent show and kids karaoke events later on this year!

Scholarship Pledges:

In addition to fundraising events, the Scholarship Program receives support in the form of pledges. These have been received from local businesses and private individuals. The amounts have ranged from \$250 donations to full-scholarships.

In order to build continuity and sustainability in our programme we aim to support students throughout their education at Providenciales Primary School. Scholarship pledges are a vital part of this.

During the past year, we have been grateful for the support of the following companies for their generous pledges:





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~ Alison Williams

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