

# Chair Report PTA AGM Monday April 29th, 2024

Welcome everyone, and thank you for attending this evening's 2023/24 Annual General Meeting!

A huge thank you to everyone here tonight. Your contributions, big and small, have been instrumental in making our PTA a success over the past year. This includes our amazing committee members, our dedicated volunteers, the supportive staff, and of course, all the fantastic parents.

It's been another successful year! We've settled into a comfortable rhythm, and the sense of school spirit is vibrant. The support we've seen throughout the year has been incredible. So many parents, family members, friends and staff have come together to make our school events a success. This collaborative spirit, where everyone pitches in and turns out to support each other, is what truly defines our PTA.

We're confident this spirit will continue to grow, and we warmly welcome new parents and carers joining our school community this year. We also encourage you to invite your fellow parents to get involved - the PTA is a fantastic way to connect with others and make a real difference for our students.

# The objective of the PTA:

- To raise money to provide additional resources to the children and users of the school and support the teachers and governors in giving our children the best possible experiences here at Woods.
- To run events that give great experiences for the children, family, parents and friends of the school.

As parents, grandparents, careers, teachers, teaching assistants and staff of the children of the school, we are automatically members of the PTA. It's fantastic that you are here to support the children's journey through both the school and the work of the PTA.

The PTA is run by a committee that is elected each year at the AGM. The AGM meeting is the only formal meeting of the year for the PTA and is one that deals with the formalities of committee elections, financial reports, reviews of the year and plans for the future.

Our current committee is as follows:

Meghan Hall - Co-Chair Lisa Ford - Co-Chair Michelle Hamilton - Treasurer Jenny Swann - Secretary

Michelle, Jenny and I have been in these positions for the past two years, with Lisa re-joining us (after a short hiatus) last year. It's been a busy year for all outside the pta but we still continued to thrive and managed to put together some brilliant events.

I am unaware of any committee members standing down this evening. Although there are no resignations this year, in line with our constitution, re-election needs to take place for all roles. Committee election is completed via nomination and a second to the proposed motion and will take place in this meeting.

Before we get into the meeting formalities, I would like to take a few moments to extend a few thank you's...

- First, thank you to the committee who work incredibly hard despite full time jobs, children, locations and many other things which limit their time.
- Further to the committee I would like to thank Mr White and Mr Mac for their continued support, plus all the office staff who are all extremely helpful when I ask for any favours.
- I would also like to thank all the teachers for their support and especially to those
  who give up their own personal time to come to all of our meetings and help out at
  events.
- Special recognition goes to Mr Craig-Denis for all his help over the past year. He has been a huge asset to me at every event and his willingness to lend a hand whenever needed is truly appreciated.
- Also a huge thank you to nlightn-IT for sponsoring our Summer Fair for the second year in a row! Plus a thank you to all the local businesses who generously donated prizes for our Christmas hamper raffle.
- And it goes without saying, but a thank you to all of the PTA helpers and parents who bake, man stalls, help set up, sponsor, donate, and give up their time - without you there would be no PTA.

# A summary of our year - April 2023 thru to March 2024

This is a brief summary of the fundraising events we held over the past year -

## May

- Coronation Disco
- Royal Bake Sale
- Coronation Tea Towels
- 80's non-uniform day

#### June -

- Father's Day Pop-Up Shop
- Sports Day refreshment stall
- Uniform sales
- Tombola donations non-uniform day

# July -

- Summer Shows (2 x evenings) refreshment stall
- Summer Fair
- Girls Football tournament refreshment stall

# September -

- New starters bags given out to class R parents.
- Helped run the Macmillian coffee morning.
- Robin Hood Half Marathon Sponsored run

#### October -

- Bags2School clothing collection
- Freaky Friday Tuck shop
- Fancy Dress Halloween Disco

#### November -

- Bonfire night toys/sweet stall
- Break the Rules Day
- Wreath Making Night

## December -

- Festive Friday Sweet Shop
- Class Christmas Hamper Raffle
- Nativity shows tea/coffee stall
- My Child's Art Christmas Cards

# February -

- Valentine's non uniform day

## March -

- Mother's Day Pop-Up Boutique
- World Book Day Reading Cafe
- Decorate an Egg competition non fundraising event but PTA organised and prizes donated to each class.
- Easter Egg Hunt each class came out to hunt for an egg with their name on it.
   Chocolate eggs all donated by the PTA

### (Upcoming)

- Beach Party Disco (May)
- Tombola non-uniform day Sports themed (June)
- Summer Show refreshment stall (July)
- Summer Fair (July)

# **Ongoing Fundraising**

- Your School Lottery

So all in all, this year with the PTA has been a rollercoaster – busy but brilliant! I've absolutely loved being part of something that makes such a big difference to our kids' time at Woodborough Woods. Let's keep up the amazing work and make this school the most fun place to be!

Sincerely,

Meghan Hall Co-Chair