



Chair Person's Report 2016/2017

November 2017

2017 has been an amazing year for the PTA. We changed from APF to PTA in February, adopting the PTA UK constitution. The term PTA is more widely recognised and acknowledges the support of staff as well as parents and the wider community.

During the year we raised £14,300, with £19,760 worth of resources donated to the school. A fantastic achievement for a school of our size. Natalie will give more detail of profit and spending in her Treasurer's report in a moment.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have supported the work of the PTA. Particular thanks goes to Natalie and Nicola for their unending support through the transition process from APF to PTA, and indeed their daily commitment to both the PTA and myself.

Natalie will sadly be stepping down this year after two years as our Treasurer. We cannot thank you enough for the commitment and dedication you have shown. Our very own Sherlock Holmes who worked relentlessly to track down and successfully transfer funds that had lain idle for many years in an old post office account!

Natalie has been transitioning the treasurer's role to Stephen Pearce (no relation!), we will formally elect Stephen tonight. We look forward to working with him.

Elani has stepped down as Vice Chair due to work commitments. We thank you for your many years of support.

Laura Mansfield has stepped up as acting Vice Chair and has made a great addition to the core team.

A huge thanks goes to the committee members who enable us to not only raise funds but also provide fun events for our children. We currently have a large committee of 12 members! Again showing the immense support for our school.

We are also well supported by the introduction of class representatives. This has been a fantastic addition to our team and has enabled us to extend beyond the committee to incorporate the wider school community, not to mention spread the workload more evenly! A massive thank you to all our class reps.

I would also like to thank our wonderful staff body for their support in our events and fundraising. Also for all the behind the scenes support from Mrs Brunsdon, Mrs Pugh and Mrs Granger. We are also grateful to Penny and the after school team for their support to the PTA.

Moving forward into the new academic year, plans for the Christmas Market are well under way.

For the coming year we hope to further encourage the community ethos of working together to support our school, and provide much needed funds to enrich the children's educational experience. With budgets becoming increasingly stretched there is a real need for the PTA to continue supporting our school. Our upcoming calendar of events will include the popular discos and scoot and skate. The circus skills workshop was a fun experience for the children so we are looking into options for this year. We are also looking into our big summer celebration. The last few years the inflatables day has been a huge success but we are hoping to evolve this further or explore other ideas.