

PTA AGM 10.11.22

Chair Report

We have had a successful year 2021-22 as the PTA returned to full fundraising after a challenging couple of years due to the pandemic.

The PTA welcomed a few new members following last year's AGM.

We were pleased to be able to see the return of the Christmas Present Room as opposed to the virtual one of the previous year.

Our first out of school hours event was Film night back in february and saw a tentative attendance. This was followed by World Book Day Storytime in March which was led by the teaching staff. From then things started to open up and we were delighted to have the disco back in May which was a wonderful occasion as some children came to their first WPS event due to the the pandemic even though in their 2nd year.

Since then we've held 2 more discos, multiple end of term treats, sold pre loved uniform and books, celebrated the Jubilee in a few different ways, held the Parvin Quiz and significantly saw the return of the Summer Fair in June.

We have also become more visible and accessible as an association both within school and the community. This has been achieved through introduction of the PTA's own email address and Facebook page which is growing all the time. We now have a regular page in the school newsletter. All of this allowing us to communicate with parents more easily and frequently. A few of us were present this year as the school welcomed new parents, and we took the opportunity to introduce ourselves and chat to the parents.

We launched PTA Events during the earlier part of the year and I feel confident that this platform will continue to support us with selling tickets, recruiting volunteers, and alleviating some of the extra work put upon the school office. This platform still has so much more for us to grow with. I thank everyone for their support with this new way of working and the initial challenges it may have caused.

Whilst our fundamental purpose is to fundraise and support our school, it is always rewarding to get involved with the local community. This year saw the PTA supporting Wiggyfest, donating leftover sweets to WonderYears and giving some uniform to Haxby Methodist Church's Second Hand Uniform Bank.

I would like to thank all parents, Paul Laycock and the teachers, the school staff and children who have supported the PTA this year either through volunteering their time and/or attending our events.

I would particularly like to thank, and show my appreciation for the committee members who have worked so hard to make these events happen and allow us to make vital financial contributions to the school. Well done. You are appreciated.

Notable thanks go to Angela Davenport who steps down as Treasurer tonight following many years of service to the PTA in this role - a little longer than she may have liked and for that we are extremely grateful.

Here's to another successful year as we already have so much planned for the next 5 weeks alone!!