

## PTA Chair Report

### Annual AGM

Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2022

Welcome everyone to this year's AGM, I would like to thank you all for attending.

This was our first year as a PTA to fund raise and organise fun days for the children in 2 years without strict covid restrictions. It was great to see things start to return to normality for the children. I feel as a relatively new committee we all worked very hard, and it was a real team effort.

### **Objectives**

The objectives of the PTA are to organise fundraising events and activities where possible and make these as much fun as possible, to involve as many people as we can, and to access funding and grants on behalf of the school where applicable. As parents, grandparents, carers, teachers and TAs of the children of the school, we are automatically members of the PTA

### **Committee.**

We have an elected committee who manage all aspects of the PTA on a day-to-day basis.

Current committee:

Chair – Hannah Carpenter

Secretary – Kim Noble

Treasurer – Laura Houlden

It is customary that all elected positions need to step down at the AGM to allow new members to be appointed, the existing members can be re-elected for the year.

We have some events already planned to start us of this year (Halloween disco, Wreath making night and the Christmas fair). However, we are always looking for input and ideas from members new and old who are also willing to help implement them, and in doing so, support our school. If you do have any suggestions, these can be made at PTA meetings, by email, or by finding us in the playground.

The AGM is the PTA's only formal meeting of the year, covering committee elections, and the treasurers annual financial report.

Before we commence these formalities, I would like to take a few moments to extend some thank you' s.

- Firstly, thank you to the members of the committee who have managed to pull together despite full time jobs, children, family commitments and general life. It's really apricated.

- Further to the committee, we would like to thank the Teachers, Ian and Sally Watson, Copdock Hall and Christine the florists. They have provided their personal time and venues for free to enable us to put on these events and raise funds.
- We have also received many generous donations from local businesses, who have all been individually thanked. It goes without saying, that without all the PTA helpers, who man stalls, lend equipment, sponsor, donate and contribute, there would be no PTA events and therefore, we look forward to this carrying on for the future year.
- From October to December, we held our Christmas wreath making night and our annual Christmas fair. Both events where very successful in raising funds, a lot of fun and enjoyed by all.
- From January to June, we held our Chocolate bingo event in the school hall (great to be back in the school hall) We also had our first joint event with Bentley PTA to celebrate the Queens platinum Jubilee. This was a lot of fun and was lovely to bring both primary schools together for the first time since pre covid.
- July, we held the community summer fete jointly with Pre-School. This was the second time organising the summer fete but a first joint event with Preschool for us. The positives where that there were more parents available to help run stalls and a bigger committee to help with organising the event and again access to funding to support it. With the bigger committee this did make it more difficult to come to joint decisions on ideas for the fete. However, it was successful, and we managed to raise £2662.58 which is an amazing achievement and was shared between both settings.
- Lastly, we are pleased to have been able to support several school trips for Key stage 1&2 and the year 6 leavers trips, gifts and the whole schools summer disco.

There is a full Treasurers report to accompany this report. I hope this year that the PTA will continue to gain more support and build upon what we have previously achieved. I wish everyone well and will continue to support where required.

Kind Regards

Hannah

Current Chair