

CHAIRS ANNUAL REPORT 2022 (R Gonzalez)

The role of the PTA and its Objectives

The PTA trustees are mindful of the Constitution and the main objective for raising funds for the school - see **Extract from the Constitution (amended 20.10.2020)** which can be found on the school website.

All money raised and spent in school shall advance the education of the pupils.

2. The objectives of the Association shall be to advance the education of pupils in the School. In furtherance of this object the Association may:

a) To foster a close relationship between the home and school, the parents, governors and all others associated with the school.

b) To encourage and maintain an interest by the Association's members in all matters relating to education, and the general activities of the school and engage in activities which support the school and advance the education of pupils attending it.

c) Provide and assist in the provision of such facilities or items for education at the school (not normally provided from statutory funds) as the Committee in consultation with the Governing Body shall from time to time determine.

Our aim is to be -

FAIR across the whole school in regard to allocating funds

TRANSPARENT in all we do - money raised - spent - allocated

APPROACHABLE open to ideas from all

EVERYONE IS A MEMBER OF THE PTA so please do get involved if you have the time!

An overview of the PTA charitable structure and how it is governed (Constitution)

The PTA decision body is made up of the following members, voted in annually at the October AGM - President, Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, school staff representative and three parents representing the year groups - see **Extract from the Constitution (amended 20.10.2020)**.

3. Membership shall be automatic for all parents and guardians of the children currently attending the school, all teaching staff, and all Governors. Honorary membership shall be extended to all ancillary staff who do not qualify by any of the above while they continue to occupy these posts. Honorary membership can be granted to any person approved at any Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Meeting for a term of one year or until the next General Meeting whichever comes first. The power to vote will be extended to Honorary Members at all Annual or Extraordinary General Meetings until the new Committee is elected.

4. The management of the Association shall be vested in a committee which shall consist of the following:

a. The President shall be the Head Teacher at the time in office or if the Head Teacher does not wish to take office, a teacher nominated at the A.G.M. or E.G.M

b. The Chairperson who shall be a parent.

c. The Honourable Secretary who shall be a parent.

d. The Honourable Treasurer.

e. A minimum of one representative of school staff apart from the president. (amended 20.10.2020)

f. one parent representative from Foundation Stage/KS1, One parent representative from LKS2 and one parent representative from UKS2. (amended 20.10.2020)

g. Removed (amended 20.10.2020)

Under the constitution the trustees will be nominated and appointed at the AGM scheduled for 17.10.2022.

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PTA decision making process

The eight trustees will hold the decision rights to the management of the PTA charitable organisation - see **Extract from the Constitution (amended 20.10.2020)**

10. Voting at all Committee, Annual General Meeting and Extraordinary General Meetings shall be by simple majority and generally by a show of hands unless a paper vote is requested by a member, when two (2) tellers shall be appointed. In the absence of the Chairperson, the Committee Members present shall elect a Chairperson for the meeting. The Chairperson will have no ordinary vote except in the event of a tie when he or she shall have a casting vote.

12. There shall be at least one meeting of the Committee each term.

How has the PTA involved the members, the school and the children in its decision making

The PTA trustees actively seek suggestions from all stakeholders - the school, parents and children.

The chair regularly meets with the Headteacher and School Business Manager to discuss options for opportunities to advance the pupil's education in school. These suggestions are taken to the PTA meetings for formal review and decisions in line with funds available and the constitutional objectives.

This year we sought the School Council involvement who in turn engaged with the whole school community to ask what the children what they would like the money spent on - the list will be discussed as part of the AGM agenda.

For the playground:	For the field:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More gymnastic bars - Swing - Higher and longer slide - Foam pit - (Obstacle course) - Chalk board - Playground painting (lines, hopscotch etc) - More play equipment (hoops/ balls/ etc) - Scooters (KS1) - New basketball hoops - Quiet corner outside with books and colour pencils/ tree house - Flower beds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Obstacle course - Tunnels for field - Climbing/ rock climbing/ climbing wall - Climbing equipment in the shade - Bug Hotel - Flower beds - Sand pit - Swimming pool
Sports Cage:	For classroom:
Benches in the sports cage so others can watch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More books - More toys to play with - New lockers with your own code and door
For the copse:	Bus:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ropes on trees - More time in the copse 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decorate bus
Other ideas:	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - VR room - Movie room - Circus skills day - More teachers 	-

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The PTA actively use the Facebook page to engage parents in decision making encouraging their thoughts, ideas and suggestions.

Highlights of the PTA's last year

An AMAZING first year for the newly appointed trustees resulting in a current bank balance of **£11977.22** (as of August 2022) The school are currently looking at where this money can be spent to advance the education of the pupils.

Sports Day Tea Tent - Raised **£792.22** (including uniform sales) £600 agreed to be allocated to spend on PE Equipment (it is our vision that every sports day tea tent will raise funds specifically to advance the pupils education in PE 'Mr Browne's Wish List')

Summer Fayre - Raised a whopping **£7437.00** (minus expenses £1981.06 plus contribution £500 = £5955.74 final figure) and exceeded all expectations. We made the decision as a committee to keep the costs low for parents and focus on bringing the community back together in celebration after the pandemic and this had a real position impact on the spend.

Jubilee Party - this event was for fun and FREE and the result was a beautiful Jubilee Quilt presented to the school (special thank you to Mrs Olerjarova our very own PTA seamstress)



Other Funding Streams -

School Lottery - Raised a staggering £825.40

Amazon Smile - Raised £79.72

Easyfundraising - Raised £40.30

Thank you to all who have signed up to use these sights and contribute to the PTA funds pot.

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How the PTA has benefited pupils at the school in the past year

We have a huge amount of funds in the account that needs to be spent and we are in discussions with the school to make this happen.

We have contributed **£1715.00** thus far:

- Parental £5 contribution across the year groups to help with the cost of the educational trips. (note year 5&6 missed out on this contribution however the £5 contribution per child was allocated to other areas - noted below (no one missed out)
- Year 6 (21/22) end of year 'fun' trip to the beach (paid for the coach)
- Year 6 (21/22) Hoodies
- Year 6 (22/23) PGL extra cost due to change of coach (Queens funeral)

How the PTA has worked with the local community in the past year

We are taking steps to connect with St Joseph's Parish to work together to raise funds for both causes - watch this space.

Feedback from participants and volunteers on events held throughout the year

Everyone is a member of the PTA and we need active volunteers to make what we do a success - we are listening and value your ideas. Following the Summer Fun Day we asked for your feedback which we will take into consideration when planning our next Summer Fayre (copy of the feedback is attached to the end of the minutes 18.07.2022)

Plans for the coming year 2022 23 and how members you can get involved

We have an annual planner - key dates below

SATURDAY 3rd DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS FAYRE 12-4pm - Christmas Market 'Winter Wonderland' Theme

Planning has started - get in involved, the more volunteers the smoother the event for all - please drop us an email pta@stpauls.w-berks.sch.uk

FRIDAY 3RD FEBRUARY - SPRING TERM DISCO

FRIDAY 19TH MAY - SUMMER TERM DISCO

FRIDAY 30TH JUNE - FAMILY FUN

Ongoing events

UNIFORM SALES - second and last Friday of every month (donations always welcome)

Everyday ways to raise funds for our school -

CLOTHES BIN - recycle your old clothes and raise funds to purchase the Year 6 Hoodies

SCHOOL LOTTERY - do you have a ticket yet? You could win £25,000

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-pauls-catholic-primary>

AMAZON SMILE - link your account to amazon smile and for every purchase (some purchases don't apply) a percentage is donated to our school - St Pauls Association

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<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/charity?orig=%2F>

EASYFUNDRAISING - make your purchases through easyfundraising and raise funds for our school.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/login/>

Finally and most importantly a HUGE THANK YOU

to the many volunteers who helped at events

to the parents and children that supported our events

to Parkers Estate Agents for they generous donations at our Christmas & Summer Fayres.

And to the school for support our ideas.

Here's to another successful year and we do hope more parents' volunteer

Get in touch pta@stpauls.w-berks.sch.uk

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