

Chairs Report

A very warm welcome to the Parents, Staff and Friends Association (PSFA) Annual General Meeting. The purpose of our association whilst also running as a charity, is to help support and improve the education of our children.

This is fulfilled through the organising of social events and other measures which are carried out across the school year.

This report details the work we have carried since our last AGM on the 11th March 2019. All future Annual General Meetings, will likely occur around October of each year.

This has been my first full year being active within the PSFA and also my first year as Chair. Stepping into this role has been both daunting but equally enjoyable.

Its been great working with my fellow committee members and also getting to know many parents across the school, especially those who have been willing to volunteer their time at many of the events we've held. For this I am eternally grateful.

I recently heard someone say the aim of any PTA is to remove the 'd' from fundraising leaving us with fun-raising and I hope you all feel we have achieved this so far and I hope to continue with this ethos in the future.

Over the past few months we have carried out events such as the Mother and Father's Day gift sales, end of term tuck shop, Bags2School collection and of course our very joyful Summer Fair. I'd like to thank all the local businesses that supported us either with hiring a stall or donating some wonderful gifts as raffle prizes. I'd especially like to thank the Herts Fire & Rescue Service and Herts Police for attending, the children and parents seemed to thoroughly enjoy their visit. One of our school children designed a thank you card which copies of have been sent to many of the companies who donated a gift. Our greatest achievement from this event was how many parents helped with set up and to clear up, I've been told that this has never been an easy task but we received the help with little to no asking...a huge thank you!

At this meeting we will be electing our new General Officer(s) to the committee, I'd like to pass on my early thanks for the help and dedication that's been given so far and for what I know they will give in the future. It really couldn't be done without you.

The committee are currently in the process of arranging our next events leading up to Christmas; these include Bags2School, Infant and Junior discos, supplying drinks and treats for the Christmas Lunch and of course the Christmas Fair.

We had hoped to make some changes to the junior disco this year by having an alternative Movie night but it became apparent that we would loose money if we just held it for the juniors, so we may consider having an alternative movie night for all the children if viable.

We have had a brief discussion about hold in an evening for adults only. The ideas put forward are bingo, quiz or racing night. We will continue to discuss these event further throughout this term but welcome your views.

I have one final thank you, it's to all the staff and Governors for their continued support, especially Miss Puccio and Mrs Stewart who give up so much of this personal time to be here.

I will now pass you to our Treasurer Kebby Tongola who will discuss our events and finances in more detail...