

Worplesdon Primary School PTA Newsletter September 2023



Firstly the committee would like to **thank you all** for the support you gave – both financially and with your time over the 2022/2023 academic year. We look forward to sharing our **event highlights** and a summary of **what we raised** in the coming weeks!

This year sees a fresh start as **the current committee will be passing the baton on to a new team** – please see below for more information!!

But for those parents new to the school – **welcome!** – we thought it would also be useful to tell you what the **PTA** is all about and **how you can get involved**!

What is the PTA?

The PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is a group of volunteer parents and teachers who work together to make the school a better environment for children to learn. We raise extra funds through a wide range of fun and creative initiatives, events, and much more!

Who is the current committee?

For legal purposes as a charity a PTA needs to register 3 official roles:

Chair:Michelle NicolsSecretary:Jo ReesTreasurer:Rachel Banfield

However **all 3 are standing down** so we will be <u>voting in a new committee</u> <u>at the AGM</u> if anyone is keen to stand!

We also have a fabulous band of helpers:

Class reps

who cascade information to their wider class whatsapps /communities

Active members

who help to organise / set up / run our various fundraising events

How can you get involved?

If you would like to stand for the one of the 3 legal roles or join our band of helpers please join us at the AGM next week: **Thursday 28th September at school.** As a priority we are looking for at least **one rep from each class** please ©

Following the election of a new committee we will publish an events plan for the year and will be looking for teams to take the lead on each event – so for all those budding organisers out there we would love your help please to make this year's **FUNdraising** even bigger and better!

Our 1st **event - HAPPY BAGS!** Have you recently had a clear out or keen to do one? Happy Bags are an easy fundraising scheme for schools through the collection of pre-loved rusable clothing! All of the bags that you donate are weighed & the PTA receives a donation for each kilo of clothes collected! *Date to follow shortly...*