

PTA Post

July 2017

Committee 2017-2018

The committee for the 2017-2018 academic year, as elected in the recent AGM, is.....

Tammi Ashley - Chair

Samm Mackinnon - Co Vice Chair

Lisa Shirley - Co Vice Chair

Jen Reid – Treasurer

Charlotte Heslop – Co Secretary

Victoria Soares – Co Secretary

Nicole Platts-Weston – Publicity Officer

Welcome to the Committee.....

Charlotte Heslop – Co Secretary

I have two little boys, Jasper who is about start Year 4 and Barnaby who will be starting Reception class in September.

I have been really impressed with all the PTA have offered our children since we started at Berewood two and a half years ago, and have been happy to assist where I can. I have agreed to take on the role of Secretary partly because I will have more time from September but also to ensure our school continues to benefit from a PTA.

After working as a nurse for 18 years within the acute sector, my last job was working with patients who suffered with alcohol and substance misuse addiction, resulting in extreme health complications. I made the difficult decision to leave over a year ago.

I still have a strong interest in this field and am considering a possible career change in the future.

I hope that in my role on the PTA, I can assist in offering children and families lots of fun opportunities, and hopefully encourage others to support and help.

Victoria Soares – Co Secretary

My eldest daughter Maya is moving up to Year 5 in September and I have always been very keen to support her education where I can.

I was part of the PTA for two years from when the school opened, however I took a break in 2016 to have my second daughter.

Nowadays I am often seen around school chasing after my energetic one-year old little girl, so sharing the Secretary role with Charlotte is an ideal opportunity for me to be part of the PTA again.

I am very much looking forward to working with everyone involved in the PTA and supporting the school and the community.

Ordinary Committee Members

Mrs Blackmore

Mrs Roe

Mrs Brausen

Mrs Vigus

Miss Broadbridge

Mrs Webb

Mrs Cleverley

Mrs Wilson

Farewell from.....

Emma Webb – Former Co Secretary

What an amazing year for the school community with exciting events and fundraising for our children and external charities! It has been a privilege to be part of such a pro-active committee and I feel proud of the achievements made for the school.

What I can definitely say from having been a part of this team is to never underestimate the amount of work that goes in to all of the fantastic events held for our children and to offer help whenever you can! I know that I will continue to help as much as I am able to in the future.

I wish Charlotte and Victoria all the very best in taking over the mantle and further feeding in to the positive work of the PTA Committee.

It is with great pleasure that Sarah and I finish with the job of writing our final PTA Post by summarising the massive achievements of this year.....

Sarah Wilson – Former Co Secretary

I have enjoyed being part of the committee. It has been tough at times but, with such a great team of people and such a strong Berewood support network, I feel we have achieved huge amounts of success this academic year.

A lot of hours and hard work have been put in to the great events and fundraising - I feel proud to of been a part of it all.

I believe it's great for new faces to join the committee and wish both Victoria and Charlotte the very best of luck working with the other committee members. As let's face it, we all know they are a little crazy at times but their dedication and commitment I am certain will only strengthen further.

Thank you to everyone for allowing me to be part of this journey, I look forward to taking a back seat and continuing to support wherever I can.

This Last Term

Circus

Wow what an absolutely amazing event Happy's Circus was! Not only did everyone have a super time, £2330 was raised in the process. We think you will all agree Samm and Lisa did the PTA proud, taking the lead with this busy event. Nine months of preparation, from hours of painting, organising the rest of the committee and PTA, to communicating with Happy's Circus and the school and holding it all together on the day. Brilliant team work ladies.

We would like to give special thanks to:

- Mr Prince for his help, from making the coconut shy to staying on site beyond anybody else to ensure our children's school was safe.
- Mrs Patrick for allowing this massive event to take place in the first place.
- Mrs Harris, Mrs Handy and Miss Broadbridge for giving up their time for face painting and glitter tattoos.
- All Berewood children for representing the school to the wider community in their ever-perfect manner.
- Everyone who helped on the day setting up and clearing away. Whether you advertised, bought raffle tickets or helped behind the scenes, we are so grateful for the support.

Summer Picnic

On the 18th July we held a family fun picnic. This was an opportunity to give everyone the chance to socialise and relax a little while, whilst enjoying the Purbrook Park Choir and South Zone Dance School, along with some fun games. We hope that a lovely afternoon was had by all who could make it. Although this was not held as a major fundraising event, a lovely figure of £235.48 was made towards PTA funds.



Year 6 Leavers

We would like to wish all of the Year 6 children who are leaving the school this year all the very best with their endeavours at their new schools.



Grenfell Community Fund Cake Sale

The Grenfell cake sale raised a fantastic £148.76. It is always nice to give something back in such sad circumstances.

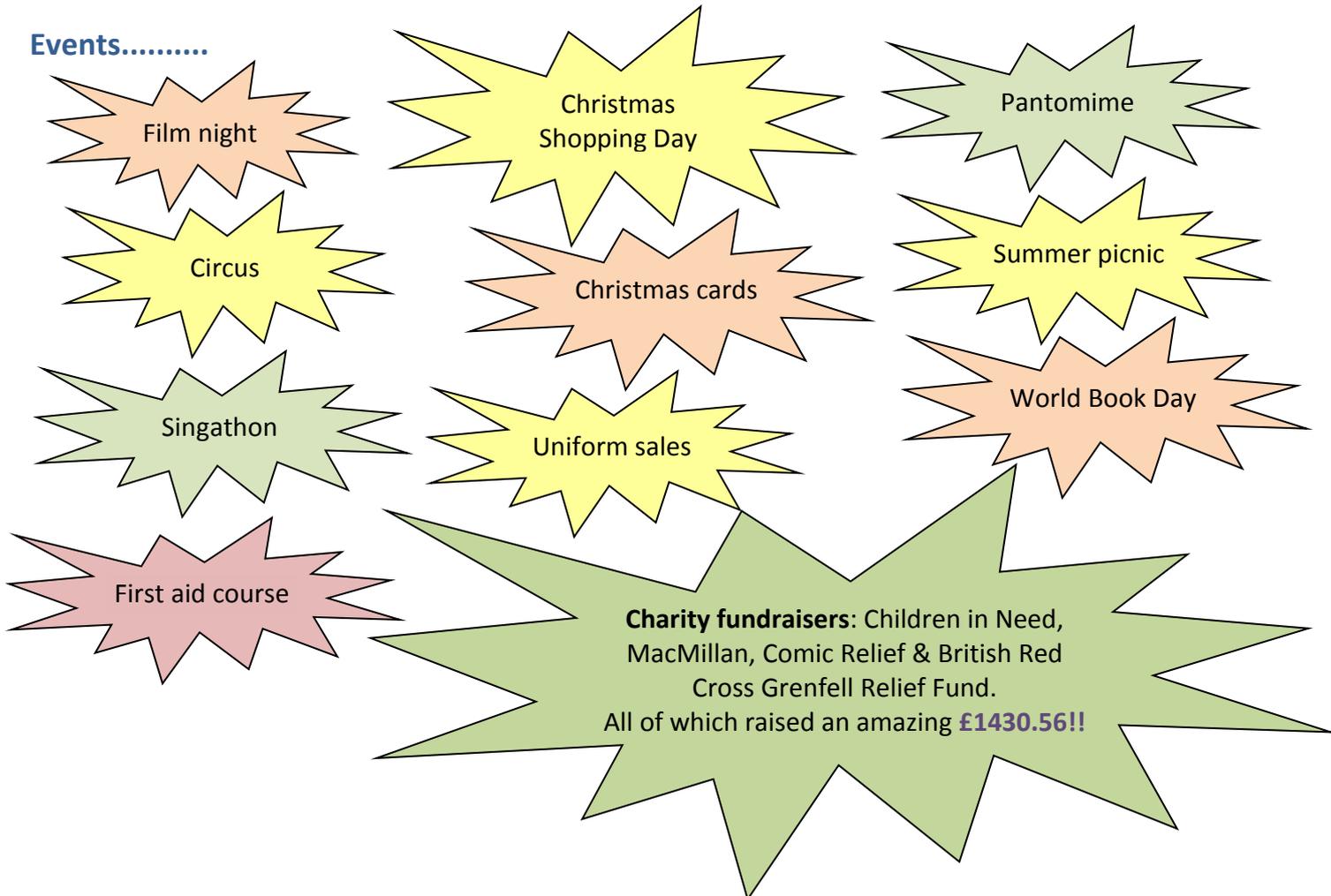
Uniform Sales

This academic year £146.22 has been raised through the sale of used school uniform items. Please do keep donating and purchasing from this. Jen will continue to sell items during the summer – please check the Facebook page or contact Jen via jenbish2@hotmail.com.

PTA Summary of Events 2016-2017

Through the support of parents and staff at the school, we are proud of the work of the PTA this year. It has been a fantastic year for events and fundraising. Here is a summary of the year.....

Events.....



Don't forget fundraising opportunities over the summer via [easyfundraising](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk): www.easyfundraising.co.uk and The Giving Machine: www.thegivingmachine.co.uk, where a proportion of what you spend online is donated to the school.

All parents/carers of children within the school are automatically PTA members and any help that you can offer is massively appreciated by the school. **Please relay any ideas and/or offers of help via any member of the committee, the Friends of Berewood Facebook page or the PTA's email address: BerewoodPTA@outlook.com.**

What PTA money has been spent on this year.....

- Enrichment activities for all children, including trips
- Forest School equipment
- Savings for accessible pirate ship

Dates for the Diary

15th September – 8.45am: PTA meeting
29th September – MacMillan's Biggest Coffee Morning
6th October – Quiz Night
17th November – Children in Need
3rd December – Pantomime at the Kings Theatre
15th December – Christmas Spectacular



We wish you all a very happy summer and hope that it is filled with fun times and happy memories!