

THE BLUE SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 28th JANUARY 2025



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WELCOME

- THANK YOU & TIMING PROMISE
- WHO ARE WE?
- WHAT IS THE PA?
- NEW PA TEAM 2025
- 2023/2024 WRAP UP AND MONEY HIGHLIGHTS
- 2025 SAVE THE DATES
- SCHOOL FUNDRAISING REQUESTS
- OVER TO YOU
- 9PM FINISH



WHO ARE WE?



WHO ARE WE?

- Happily, thrown together in September 2022 - to avoid dissolving PA
- Tight team of 6 working parents and great friends
- Up front agreement on roles and realistic commitment
- Shared goal to build community post lockdown years, make some money, build a relationship with school and teachers - and enjoy it...



WHAT IS THE P(T)A?

- The PA is an independent registered charity
- PA team are elected committee trustees (usually for 2 yr min term)
- PA committee needs a chair, vice-chair, treasurer and secretary
- The committee is run by parental volunteers to raise money to fund projects and purchases to enrich children's educational experience at TBS
- Committee sign up to charity constitution and must adhere to certain rules
- P I A includes parent / teacher dream team combo

ANY TBS PARENT IS AUTOMATICALLY A MEMBER



WHY IS A P(T)A SO IMPORTANT?

- To provide valuable FUNDS
- To agree achievable short, medium and long-term fundraising goals
- To ENRICH our children's experience at school
- To ENGAGE and encourage parent participation – from nursery to year 6
- To support and grow our COMMUNITY – teachers, parents, children

AND IT'S NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT...





2 TYPES OF FUNDRAISING

PA FUNDRAISING – THE FUN STUFF

- Events and activities raising money for enrichment and play
- Funding ideas are agreed with school – then voted for by parents
- Should enhance curriculum learning
- ...and benefit all children
- ...and have some fun as it is raised

PARENTAL GIVING – THE VITAL STUFF

- Supports school with the essentials
- Nationwide problem – school budgets are increasingly tough
- Cost of living affecting us all – and applies to schools – costs have never been higher
- Additional needs are increasing 
- And pupil numbers are decreasing 

BOTH IMPORTANT TO FULFIL DIFFERENT NEEDS



NEW TEAM



- We have genuinely really loved it
- You need fresh meat and new ideas
- (ideally with early year kids)
- Find your people
- (especially your £££ wo/man)
- Agree how you'll work together – who leads on what...
- Be realistic on the time(s) you can dedicate to the team
- And then ENJOY IT

YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU...



2024 FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY

- Mothers Day / Fathers Day
- World Book Day – Big Book Swap
- Easter Bingo
- Bounce for Shade
- First Aid
- Sound Bath / Meditation Night
- Summer Football Tournament
- Summer Silent Disco
- Christmas Discos (2023/2024)
- Christmas merch, trees
- Portrait Tea Towels
- Christmas Raffle
- Bake Sales (ringfenced funds)
- Uniform sales
- Happy Bags



2024 FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY



2023/2024 MONEY HIGHLIGHTS

£25,000 RAISED

£17,000+ PROFIT

£8,392 DONATED TO TBS

£30,612 IN THE BANK



MONEY RAISED (+ PROFIT) MAIN ACTIVITY

RAISED PROFIT

Christmas Disco 2023	£2571.57	£1061.73
Christmas Tea Towels	£2881.70	£1178.81
Christmas merch and trees	£712.60	£712.60
Mother's Day	£766.33	£766.33
Father's Day	£771	£771
Bounce for Shade	£2704.88	£2470.03
Football Tournament	£3183.36	£2156.18
Summer Silent Disco	£4907.19	£2470.49
Bake sales	£2847.31	£2847.31
Uniform sales	£1226.79	£1148.83
TOTAL	£22,500	£15,580

RAISED PROFIT

World Book Day	£287.37	£287.37
First Aid Class	£438	£238
Meditation Night	£326.53	£233.93
Easter Bingo	£428.36	£131.65
Happy Bags	£482.35	£482.35
Other donations	£451.89	£253.40
Easy Fundraising / Amazon	£151	£151
TOTAL	£2,565	£1,770

TOTAL RAISED £25,000 // PROFIT £17,000+



MONEY RAISED (+ PROFIT) 2024/2025

	RAISED	PROFIT
Christmas Disco 2024		£1,879
Christmas Tea Towels		£940
Christmas merch and trees		£751
Christmas raffle		£2,290
Parent donation		£1,500
Happy bag		£293
Uniform sales		£622
TOTAL	£13,000+	£8276

SO FAR.....



MONEY DONATED TO BLUE SCHOOL

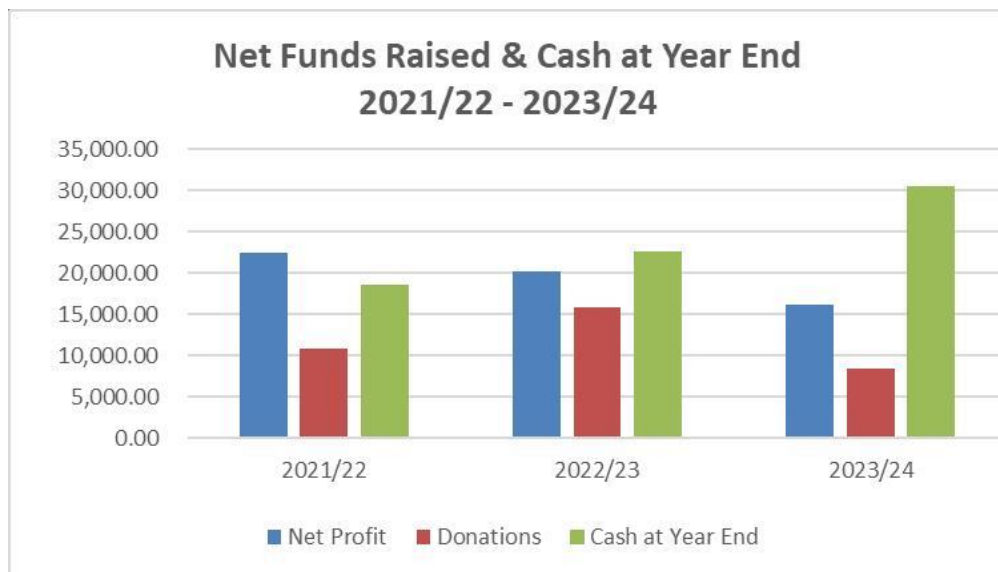
Shade in rainbow playground	£7902
Inclusion fund	£1000
Library ELSA fund	£300
Current yr 3, yr 4 and yr 5 bake sale activities	c. £1700
TOTAL	£8,392

2021/22		2022/23		2023/24	
Major Net Fundraisers					
Christmas & Easter	7,756.92	Summer Fair	5,933.55	Christmas Activities	2,890.14
Summer Fair	6,399.92	Bounce	4,679.49	Summer Disco & Football Tournament	4,626.67
Bounce	4,880.16	Christmas	2,571.41	Bounce	2,470.03
Major Donations to School					
Playground equip	10,930.00	Playground Landscape	11,750.00	Playground Shade	7,092.08
		Bake Sale Class Enrichment	2,439.02	Hardship Fund	1,000.00

TOTAL DONATED £8,392 + RINGFENCED



MONEY OVERVIEW



Year	Net Profit	Donations	Cash at Year End
2020/21	12,321.51	9,051.27	7,072.71
2021/22	22,515.53	10,930.00	18,605.21
2022/23	20,298.59	15,863.55	22,699.18
2023/24	16,234.19	8,392.08	30,612.76

+ profit 24/25 so far = £8276

DURING OUR TERM £44,808 PROFIT SO FAR



CAKE SALE ££ (RINGFENCED FUNDS)

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Prev yr6
C/F from 2023/24	-	-	£451.97	£421.45	£749.25	£710.64	£818.15	£814.43	£849.73
SPENT					Kew w/s (in yr 2) £492	STEM Lego £535.roman day £64.	STEM w/s, mandir trip cont, books	Not hoodies.	£728.52 Scientific calculators
C/O	n/a	n/a	£451.97	£421.45	£258	£112	None	£814.43	
SALE DATES	6 th Dec 2024	24 Jan 2025	14 th Feb 2025	7 th March 2025	28 th March 2025	15 th Nov 2024	25 th Oct 2024	11 th Oct 2024	-
2024/25	£300.30	£339.55				£433.73	£390.92	£442.97	£0
TOTALS	£300.30	£339.55	c. £800	c.£750	c. £600	£545.73	£390.92	£1257.40	£0
IDEAS TO ENRICH CLASS LEARNING	Waiting on ideas	Dinosaur workshop	Waiting on ideas	Florence Nightingale workshop	VR headset workshops (link with English topics)	Waiting on ideas	Animation w/s. Beyond Box robotix + computing workshop	n/a	





2025 - SAVE THE DATES – CAKE SALES

YEAR 1 – 14th FEBRUARY

YEAR 2 – 7th MARCH

YEAR 3 – 28th MARCH

SAVE THE DATE – WORLD BOOK DAY

THURS 6th MARCH



SAVE THE DATE – MERCH

MOTHER'S DAY – order 21.02

FATHER'S DAY TBC



SAVE THE DATE – EASTER ACTIVITY

**FRIDAY 28th MARCH
or THURS 3rd APRIL**



SAVE THE DATE – GIANT UNIFORM SALE

TBC - PRE SUMMER TERM



SAVE THE DATE – SUMMER FOOTIE TOURNO

FRIDAY 27th JUNE 3.30pm



SAVE THE DATE – NETBALL TOURNO

PARENTS AND CHILDREN

MAY / JUNE DATE TBC



SAVE THE DATE – SUMMER COLOUR RUN

FRIDAY 11TH JULY 3.30pm



2025 FUNDRAISING REQUESTS



LINK TO BE SHARED FOR VOTING



PREVIOUSLY APPROVED REQUESTS

- RECEPTION OUTDOOR FLOORING - £7K
- PRIDE PACKAGE - TROPHIES/ BADGES - £500
- NEW GOALS IN MUGA

APPROVED INVESTMENT = £8-10k



NEW REQUESTS

- PA SYSTEM FOR MAIN HALL
- READING SCHEME SUPPORT
- PLAYGROUND ENHANCEMENT PACKAGE
- GARDENING / RAINBOW ROOM GARDEN (£500-£750)



PA SYSTEM TO BE QUOTED = c. £3-5k



READING SCHEME – **READY STEADY WRITE**

Overarching principles:

- **To deliver a LOVE of reading, writing and discussion in all children – allowing them to engage, excel and enjoy**
- To inspire confidence, instill pride, celebrate diversity and develop their voices
- To invest in a scheme that places literature at its core
- To ensures pupils engage with rich texts whilst developing their writing skills



READING SCHEME – **READY STEADY WRITE**

- Why do we need a new scheme?
 - To promotes academic, social + spiritual development
 - To challenge children, support oracy and boost writing in line with reading results
 - To support progressive curriculum and teachers with planning + implementation
 - To invest in high quality literature – consistently across all years
 - **To provide beautiful books for every child to support key texts per year**
- Ready Steady Write
 - A user friendly, sequenced and ambitious curriculum with units that are carefully mapped out to match the National Curriculum
 - More information will be shared post AGM meeting

SCHEME INVESTMENT = UP TO £9k



PLAYGROUND ENHANCEMENT

- **STRONGER PLAY TIME OFFER**

- New 2-3 storage boxes within playground areas with a selection of play items to support a wider range of play interests;
- Construction toys / blocks / stepping stones
- Crafts / dressing up (alongside stage area in pencil playground)
- Plus skipping ropes, balls etc.
- Year six to monitor / keep tidy / look after

- **OUTSIDE SPEAKER**

- Bluetooth speaker for play time / events music

TO BE FULLY COSTED = c. £5-8k



OVER TO YOU

- **ANY QUESTIONS?**
- **ANYONE TO EXPRESS INTEREST / SHARE DETAILS FOR NEW TEAM**
- **ANY FUNDING REQUESTS / SUGGESTIONS**
- **ACTIVITY REQUESTS / SUGGESTIONS FOR 2025**



thank you!

