



**ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL PTA AGM  
MONDAY 8th OCTOBER 2018  
MINUTES**

**Present:** Mr Tucker, Katie Donaldson (Chair), Ali Trott (Treasurer), Jo Partridge (Toucans), Judith Pearmain (Swifts), Sara Barker (Swifts), Alys Sawell (Ospreys), Anne Foxon (Parrots & Quetzals), Teresa Simmonds (Toucans), Elka Pearce (Owls), Ali Stevenson (numerous!)

Apologies: Bhrinda R, Nicole S, Harriet MR, Anita C, Helen C, Izzy B,

**1. Introduction from Katie as Current PTA Chair:**

Katie thanked all for coming and explained the purpose of the meeting. St Lawrence PTA's mission is to enhance the school life and education of the children in its midst and all of those who have a relationship with the school. Its purpose goes beyond simply fundraising in that it aims to engage and build a really strong school community.

**2. News and Updates from Mr Tucker:** Mr Tucker reiterated that the extra funding from the PTA is very much appreciated. The PTA's focus of support this year will be 'outdoor enrichment' and help with the school's main objectives this year:

\* To enhance the outdoor spaces, particularly as there is still some groundwork to be done on the field. Mr Tucker has already secured enough money to purchase 4 x outdoor table tennis tables, but needs additional funds for ground surfacing (concrete) before the tables can be installed. Other outdoor games and equipment will also be provided, so the children have more fun things to do at break times. Katie also mentioned the idea of having a 'groundforce day', and give any support with trim trail, nature areas where appropriate and necessary.

\* The school would also like some art racks, literacy boxes and some whole class reading books for each year group (ie: 30 of the same title so all the children in the class can read together).

Mr Tucker gave an update on the building work, which is almost complete, apart from the ongoing field ground repairs. He also referred back to the School Opening Ceremony and mentioned the newspaper article in the Surrey Comet (we will try to get a copy of this and send it out via parentmail). The school will also be trying to promote their own Twitter feed this year as a further means of communicating with the school community.

**3. Annual PTA Accounts from Ali Trott as Current PTA Treasurer:** Please see attached summary. There was talk of promoting Easyfundraising again in the lead up to Christmas. It was also agreed to introduce an online lottery for additional fundraising (*Ali S and Judith to action this*).

**4. Election of Committee and Class Reps:**

PTA Chair - Katie to continue for one more year (nominated by Anne, 2nd by Ali T)

Katie noted that as 'she' leaves school in Summer 2019, it would be useful to have a new Chair in place or shadowing by Spring Term. All PTA committee to seek willing candidates.

Secretary - Bhrinda Ramdyal to continue again this year (nominated by Katie, 2nd by Ali T)

Treasurer - Ali Stevenson will take over this role (nominated by Anne, 2nd by Ali T)

#### Class Reps:

Kites	Jo Reynolds (Katharine Dedezade tbc)
Eagles	Emma Sukul, Zelah Hodges and Karen Mansell
Owls	Elke Pearce
Quetzals	tbc
Toucans	Jo Partridge/Teresa Simmonds
Parrots	Ali Trott/Izzy Bradley
Ospreys	Alys Perrot
Peregrines	Helen Crowe/Anita Cooper
Merlins	Nicole Searle/Harriet Marels Russell/Bhrinda Ramdyal
Swifts	Judith Pearmain
Robins	Mo Fisher/Pip Harvey

#### 5. Forthcoming Events:

- \* **Christmas Card Fundraiser - (Deadline after half term)** - *(Actions: Ali T to manage this)*
- \* **Sponsored "Haywire Hats and Wacky Wigs Walk" - 19th Oct** - Will also hold a cake & refreshment sale on the same day. *(Actions: Ali T to set up MyDonate page, Anne & Sara B to manage refreshments etc)*
- \* **Fireworks Night - 2nd Nov** - Due to school field works, we cannot hold the event on site again this year. (We'll make this a priority project for 2019!) *(Actions: Katie to contact ERFC to negotiate commission on tickets for their event, as last year)*
- \* **Kids Quiz (Mid Nov)** - This will be a fun quiz for all year groups (suggested £5 per ticket, teams of 6) - *(Actions: Elke, Alys & Sara to manage this event / Also Ali T and Ali S re: money)*
- \* **Fashion Show/evening (late Nov)** – in conjunction with The Orchard School. Event to replicate last year's successful evening (Katie with Judith)
- \* **Christmas Disco - (Dec)** - *(Actions: Anne to manage this event / Katie to liaise with School, Anne & DJ Lee re: dates)*
- \* **Dr Kathy Weston talk (date tbc)** – It was suggested we should run a talk similar to the one recently held at the Orchard School by leading parental engagement expert, Dr Kathy Weston, following positive parental feedback. (Jude to forward information and contact to Katie).
- \* **2019 BALL** - It was agreed that we should hold a ball next year, after Easter hols. Locations and dates were discussed. *(Actions: Sara to contact Sandown Park, Katie to liaise with Sara and Izzy to set up an official Ball Committee!)*

6. **Next Meeting Date:** November - date TBA with the School (Katie)