

Carrowreagh Primary School PTA

Annual General Meeting

Chairpersons Report 2022/23

I would like to take this opportunity to warmly welcome you all our PTA annual general meeting. Thank you for coming to support the PTA and to hear what the last 12 months have entailed.

With this being my second year as chairperson we have aimed to build upon events and activities. I have enjoyed working with a brilliant team of parents and teachers who have given up their time and energy to help plan and run fundraising events.

With school budgets being so stretched, we as a PTA do what we can so the pupils, our children, can benefit from those 'little extras', from resources to out of class trips.

We have held several committee meetings since our last AGM. At these meetings we discuss and plan fundraising events and ideas. The teaching staff draw up a 'wish list' of resources and equipment they would like, that school budget isn't able to cover. We aim to provide as many of these as possible.

The first event on our calendar after the AGM was our Christmas wreath making. This was the first time we had run this event, it was really well supported and a great evening to kick off the festive celebrations.

Continuing on with the festive theme, it was then time to start selling raffle tickets for our Christmas hampers. We were overwhelmed with the generosity of both those who donated and those who bought tickets. December also saw Santa take time out of his busy schedule to help us give all the boys and girls a selection box.

In February we ran our big breakfast, again another first for the PTA. This unfortunately wasn't as well supported, however a delicious breakfast was enjoyed and thanks to all who came and again donated to this.

Break the rules day was held in April, with children being allowed to break some fun rules for a small fee. The no homework token being the most popular by both parents and children!

June saw our annual moveathon, where pupils and teachers had to keep on the go for an hour. They were kept going by our very own energetic duo Julie and Lorna, who provided some well researched tunes to keep the crowd burning those calories. A massive £2165 was raised by this event, I think the ice lolly at the end was the winning factor.

The year ended with the Summer Fair, the sun shone and brought the crowds with it. Thanks to all those who gave up their time to help at the different stalls and games, an amazing £1350 was made on the evening.

The PTA was also delighted to provide the school with 15 ipads, p7 leavers with hoodies, paid the bus for the school trip, new books and subscription to the maths scheme. Lynsey's treasurers report will give a more detailed breakdown of how money has been raised and spent throughout the year.

As you have just heard the past year has been a busy one, but a very successful one, which makes it all the more worthwhile.

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to Mrs Crawford for her support to myself and the committee over the past 12 months.

Finally, a massive thank you to my band of ladies who are all so willing to help with all my random requests, we can sort out a lot on our whatsapp group! Their willingness and commitment has been incredible, so thank you all, I have really enjoyed working with you all.