



Elmgrove Parent Teacher and Friend Association Chairperson's Report - Sept 2016 - Sept 2017

On behalf of the PTFA committee I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to all those members of the school and local community who have supported us throughout the year. This report will highlight the activities undertaken by the committee to support the pupils, parents and staff of Elmgrove Primary School and Nursery Unit. It will outline how the additional funding provided has enriched the learning opportunities for our children.

The PTFA started out the year by continuing the collection of copper coins with each class competing against each other. The majority of the classes in the school entered into this fundraising exercise with great enthusiasm. The committee also organised a non-uniform day in the first term.

In December the PTFA organised a Christmas Fair, with school stalls, craft stalls, Santa visits and performances by our school choir. This was a busy evening and a great fundraising opportunity which saw many of our children, their families along with members of the local community turning up to support the work of the school.

The Valentines' Disco was a highlight in February with four discos being run on one evening. The children bought tickets ahead of time to allow for appropriate supervision to be organised and treats were provided for each child. A local DJ provided the music for the evening and the children enjoyed dancing together.

In the final term the Summer Fair became much bigger and better this year. There were new additions of stalls, inflatable and ride on ponies that really boosted the attendance of children and parents. This turned out to be the best ever attended PTFA event, helping to promote participation in school life while also fundraising for the work of the school.

This year the PTFA provided Santa visits and Easter teats for the children, provided playground toys for both school sites, helped to challenge the support provided for pupils at Elmgrove, supported an attendance trip for children with 100% attendance and purchased a popcorn machine for use in school events.

Our PTFA committee has added significant value to the work of the school, it has encouraged participation in the life of the school, supported the children of the school, challenged the support available to the children of the school and provided valuable resources for the children. The committee has also been a wonderful forum for parents and friends of the school to socialise and build friendships.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have been involved in the work of the committee and encourage new members to join us in the future.

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