



MAGUIRESBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Annual Trustee Report for April 2023-March 2024

Committee Meetings

Date	Topic	Committee Present	
<i>Thursday 4th May 2023 at 3:30pm in Maguiresbridge PS</i>	<i>Organising Sponsored Walk and other fundraising events</i>	<i>Mrs Wilson Mrs Graydon Mrs Irvine Mrs Graham</i>	
<i>Wednesday 20th September 2023 at 3:30pm in Maguiresbridge PS</i>	<i>Planning Events for the 2023/2024 school year Organising Bake Sale</i>	<i>Mrs Wilson Mrs Graydon Ms Davidson Mrs Graham Mrs Latimer Mrs McMaster</i>	<i>Miss Noble Mrs Irvine</i>
<i>Thursday 9th November 2023 at 3:30pm in Maguiresbridge PS</i>	<i>Organising the Christmas Craft Fair</i>	<i>Mrs Wilson Mrs McMaster Mrs Davies Ms Davison Mrs Graham</i>	<i>Miss Noble Mrs Fiddes</i>
<i>Wednesday 24th January 2024 at 3:30pm in Maguiresbridge PS</i>	<i>Organising fundraising events for the year ahead</i>	<i>Mrs Wilson Mrs Graydon Mrs Davies Mrs Irvine Mrs Graham Mrs Fiddes Ms Noble Mrs Latimer</i>	

Events Held

Event	Money Raised	Description
Sponsored Walk Thursday 1st May 2023	£600.66	The Parent Support Group held a successful Sponsored Walk in Colebrooke Estate kindly granted to us by Lord Brookeborough. The weather was glorious as we walked through the grounds of the beautiful estate and afterwards everyone enjoyed a treat from the ice-cream van.
School Prom Thursday 22nd June 2023	£0.00	The PSG organised a special evening Prom to say goodbye to the P7 pupils. Children danced the night away with music provided by DJ Albert and everyone was treated to ice-cream paid for by PSG.
Bake sale Saturday 21st October 2023	£847.06	Our bake sale turned out to be an outstanding success. Parents from our school generously contributed an array of baked goods, encompassing both sweet and savoury options, to sell to the local community. We were delighted we sold out.
Christmas craft fair & Movie night Friday 17th November 2023	£821.00	PSG held their Christmas Craft Fair in the school hall. We were delighted to sell out all tables for the event. We had a wide of range of stall holders with something for everyone to purchase on the night. The fair was well supported by the local community. The PSG supplied tea, coffee, shortbread, and mince pies for the customers. Whilst parents browsed the stalls, kids were supervised watching Christmas movies and enjoying treats.
Easter quiz sheets and Break the rules day. Friday 22nd March 2024	£715.00 & £292.00	Quiz sheets were distributed to each family and returned to school completed. Our Prizes of Easter Eggs were very kindly donated by Hamiltons Spar Maguiresbridge and PSG committee member Vicky Latimer making a beautiful home made Peter Rabbit book cushion as 1 st prize. Kids especially loved the Break the rules day which included bringing an unhealthy snack, not wearing uniform and having no homework.

Benefits

Maguiresbridge Primary School's Parent Support Group (PSG) provides numerous benefits to the entire school community and beyond. Pupils, along with their siblings and peers, express great enthusiasm for the events organised by the PSG. These events also offer parents valuable opportunities to connect and build friendships, addressing feelings of isolation that many adults experienced post-COVID by breaking down social barriers.

The majority of PSG events are open to the public, which has been instrumental in strengthening relationships between the school, neighbouring schools, businesses, and members of the local community. This openness contributes to the school's positive reputation within the community, largely due to the success of these events. Both the school and its staff gain significantly from the PSG's efforts, particularly through financial support that enables access to high-quality ICT equipment, reading materials, and sports equipment for the pupils at this small rural primary school. The principal emphasises that this additional funding is crucial during challenging financial times.

Furthermore, PSG events facilitate collaboration between staff and parents, uniting them in their shared objective of supporting the pupils and the school. In numerous ways, PSG events prove to be beneficial to the whole community.

Signed

Sandra Noble (Trustee)

Rebecca Daves (Trustee)

Trustees on account

Mrs Valerie Wilson

Mrs Stephanie Graydon

Mrs Rebecca Davies

Ms Sandra Noble