

It's been another excellent year for the PWSA, and I couldn't be prouder that the result of our collective hard work and planning is a record breaking fundraising amount.

We have run the same popular events for children and adults, but more efficiently, and introduced some great new ones, including the Mums' Night Off, group booking options for the Panto and Grease open air cinema, the series of Friday FUNdraisers and the Spring Flowers Workshop.

Our regular events have grown in demand and popularity, with more people involved in various things like ordering Christmas cards, more attending and helping at the Christmas and Summer Fair, more enjoying Movie Nights, Family Fun Events, the Welcome BBQ, discos, cake sales, toy sales and much, much more.

Of course, all this fun and fundraising is centred upon the good will and support of all the children, parents, staff and governors at Prae Wood Primary School, and we should all be very grateful for, and proud of, the brilliant community of which we are a part.

I would like to offer particular thanks to our Head teacher, the office staff and our Class Reps, who help us realise the things we hope to achieve in many, many ways- generally all done with a smile. Thanks too to the core PWSA committee members who give up time and energy to attend meetings and run events –all whilst juggling their own family and work commitments. I am really grateful to them for their 'can do' attitude, and making the effort to invest the time. Although a small team- they are a brilliant team, and events could not go ahead without them.

Special thanks to Emma Beaton for her role as Secretary, to Dominica Proudlock for running the 100 club until recently, and to Andrew Todd for taking over the role this year. Extra special thanks to Clare Tyley, who will be stepping down as Treasurer after the AGM, and who has worked tirelessly for the PWSA for *years*. She has not only managed all the accounts for us, but has controlled stock levels, shopped for the bar for events, prepped floats, counted probably hundreds of thousands of coins after events, staggered to town with bags of cash and piles of cheques, applied for event licences, kept immaculate records and smiled through it all. She has done it all so efficiently that most of us will not have been aware how much she has done at all, and she will be a huge loss to the PWSA. Thank you Clare!!

Moving forward, I hope we can keep the same momentum of effort and enthusiasm and galvanise a few more good sorts in to stepping forward and lending a hand. I particularly hope that we can find a new Chair to take the committee forward as I step away from the role after Christmas. We should continue with our Project Manager system, with our emails and info (in the hope that someone, someday might read them) and keep dialogue going.

Thanks, and WELL DONE EVERYONE!

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