

Buckingham Park Church of E Primary School PTA
CHAIRS REPORT 2023/24
Revised Date – 18th November 2024

Firstly, a warm welcome and thanks to all of those attending today's AGM. Apologies that the original date was postponed upon request by the school due to unforeseen circumstances.

I would like to start by quoting the vision statement of our school PTA as this is ultimately why we hold events. The PTA always work towards a vision of *'A thriving community raising funds to enrich school life'*. Our mission is to achieve this by creating a supportive, inclusive, and engaged community of parents/carers and families, whilst having fun and fundraising.

The PTA had a turbulent year between 2023/24 whilst we navigated through some discrepancies between the PTA and school. This led to events being ceased from December 2023 for the remainder of the school year. During the operational three month fundraising period, the PTA held six events. These included two Krispy Kreme doughnut sales, bags to school collection, a film night, a Christmas party and Christmas card sales. The profit raised from these events alone totalled **£2169.58**. This is quite an achievement given the surrounding circumstances.

As documented in the Treasurer's report, The PTA gifted a total of **£12,199.99** to enrich the lives of children who attend Buckingham Park school. The PTA are especially proud of being able to donate £10,000 towards the refurbishment of the school playground equipment.

The PTA are pleased to announce that the PTA committee and the school leadership team are once again working together, to ensure fundraising events can successfully resume. The 2024/25 school year has a full calendar of events planned including the return of the much loved film nights and discos as well as larger scale events such as a golden ticket chocolate event, a Santa Dash, a family bingo evening, and sponsored events.

For the next school year, the PTA are hoping to fund the annual school pantomime, the purchase of dictionaries and thesauruses (due to a change in curriculum for year 5 and 6 from September 2024), lego sets for children who engage in lego therapy sessions and donate towards a fully refurbished school library.

Welcoming new PTA volunteers continues to be a primary focus. The more members, the bigger and better the events can be for everyone to enjoy. There will be several 'coffee mornings' held throughout the year and the PTA committee actively encourage parents, carers and/or family members to attend. This is an informal opportunity for those interested to find out about upcoming events, volunteer their time or services towards events or simply come for a chat and hot drink. The next coffee morning will be held on 6th December 2024 in the school dining room at 08.45.

Finally, the PTA committee as a whole would like to thank all the volunteers that have contributed over the last year, including the teachers and staff at the school. Without volunteers, none of the events would be possible. Any amount of time, regardless of how much or little is hugely appreciated, so thank you again. On the note of thanks, I would personally like to thank two of the committee members from this year. Vicky (Treasurer) and Emma (Secretary) for such a huge contribution of their time and effort, and supporting me in my role as Chair. Sadly, Emma has resigned her post of Secretary as we move into the next school year. An electoral vote will be held today to fill the secretary position.

Should you wish to get in touch with the PTA committee, please email us on PTA@buckinghampark.org

Kind Regards,

Emma Parsons-Holland

Buckingham Park Church of England Primary School PTA Chair

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TREASURERS REPORT 2023/24
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Unfortunately the PTA had an unexpected and unusual year with all events ceased from December 2023 for the remainder of the school year. This was necessary to create a new contractual agreement between the PTA committee and school. The contract was required to ensure that all parties were in agreement with the role and involvement of the PTA, the role and involvement of school, the use of the school premises/equipment and the responsibilities of both parties. The PTA are thrilled that events have resumed since September 2024 and hope for a successful and fulfilling year for the children of Buckingham Park school and the wider community.

In the year of September 2023 to July 2024 the PTA raised a net income of £2169.58 which is a substantial amount considering the small number of events that were held. The figures show that had the planned events continued, the PTA would have been on track for a very successful year.

Event Profit

2x Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sales	£300.00
Bags 2 School	£100.00
Film Night	£370.00
Christmas Party	£1168.49
Christmas Cards	£231.09
TOTAL	£2169.58

School Donations/Expenditure

Pantomime	£1699.00
Play Equipment	£10,000.00
Year 6 Leaver Entertainment	£500.00
TOTAL	£12,199.99

As you can see the expenditure far exceeds the profit for this year. Luckily, the success of previous years events has allowed available funds to be maintained. We are hoping to raise a minimum of £5,000 profit during the year of 2024/25.

Should you wish to get in touch with the PTA committee or offer any financial support, donations or services, please email us on PTA@buckinghampark.org

Kind Regards,

Victoria Smith

Buckingham Park Church of England Primary School PTA Treasurer