

ST SWITHUN'S SCHOOL PTA NEWSLETTER

EACH AND EVERY PARENT IS A MEMBER OF THE PTA, HOW THEY CHOOSE TO USE THAT MEMBERSHIP IS UP TO THEM

Committee Candidates Elected AT AGM

July 12, 2011

Thank you to all who participated in the AGM and congratulations to the new committee, a new action packed year awaits and we look forward to your support.

CHAIR: Joann Robertson

VICE CHAIR: Clare Jones

TREASURER: Mike Clarke

VICE TREASURER: Alicia Fabisiak

SECRETARY, SHARED ROLE:

Laura Gunner & Sophie Venables

TECHNOLOGY: Michael Fawehinmi

Anybody wishing to know more about the roles should click onto www.ncpta.org.uk and use the schools membership number to access.



Mike Clarke
PTA Treasurer.

July 2011,
presenting year
6 with the PTA's
£650

contribution to
their leaving do.
We look forward
to seeing some
pictures from
the day.

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Hello, I'm Mike Clarke, PTA treasurer and I've been handling the PTA finances since our outgoing treasurer, Paul Winter (who did a great job!) emigrated to America, lucky man!

Financially the year has been a positive one, of great success with a good deal of money raised by the PTA and with notable donations made to the school. Income has been consistent with previous years, with funds primarily generated by the 'key' large events i.e. the summer fair, Xmas fair, and school discos. The income raised last year prior to expenses was £5863 pounds. This year is continuing on a similar trend with good takings from the summer fair – particularly pleasing in the context of the tougher financial situation facing families.

We have supported a number of projects within school and made some key donations last year and again this year. These include:

- 1) Playground donation £3000 pounds for climbing frame (our last big project)
- 2) Year 6 Leavers – £600 pounds for celebration events
- 3) Anti-bullying workshop / theatre group – £600 pounds
- 4) Plants for 'growing environment' initiative – £140 pounds (last year and this year)
- 5) 2 scanners – resources for school / classroom – £135 pounds.

The aim of the PTA in terms of finances is to continue to offer support and respond to specific requests from the school by raising funds through a variety of activities. Our next big project is the refurbishment of the community room in the playground.

In terms of bank balance, we entered the past audited year (2009/10) starting with a balance of £6495.99 and finished with a balance of £1295.39 (which reflects 2 large donations in the period – the whiteboard and playground). We currently have a balance of £3270.92.

Finally, we are in a good position to build on the base we have established and work together for the good of the school.

This term we aim to change the way we fund projects and I will be telling you all about this in the next newsletter.

A full calendar of events for this academic year accompanies this newsletter with a new parents wine and cheese evening on the 30th September for those new to the school who just want to find out a little bit more of what goes on.

We will still be having our monthly PTA meetings on the 1st Thursday of every month at the Florence Arms and we look forward to perhaps seeing you there.