

Wednesday 2nd October 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself; my name is Katie Ashcroft and I have recently been appointed as the new Chairperson of St. Wilfrid's PTFA. I have two children in the school, both in KS1 and I have been a member of the PTFA for 3 years.

Firstly, I would like to thank Leah Edwards for handing over the reins of this role. Leah has been the Chairperson of the PTFA for seven years and has led the committee through years of successful fundraising, allowing the school to purchase equipment, learning resources and help fund huge school events such as the Dance Festivals. Thank you also to the fantastic existing team of volunteering parents, grandparents and friends of the school who give up so much of their free time to staple raffle tickets to letters, make up Mother's Day gifts and frantically unfold tombola tickets at the school fair!

I intend to continue this hard work and allow the team to go from strength to strength in order to raise more money for our school. In addition to our existing PTFA events including Family Night, Christmas events and school fairs; myself and the team have lots of new, exciting ideas in the pipeline that we can't wait to share with you!

As a team, we will keep you informed of our fundraising success throughout the year. We feel it is important to make sure you know how the money we raise is being spent in our school, and how it benefits our children.

Although we have a very strong team, we are always looking to recruit new members. If you are able to attend monthly meetings and have the spare time to volunteer for our events, then please get in touch with Mr Colothan, existing PTFA members or speak to a member staff in the office. We are a friendly team and enjoy welcoming new faces and generating creative ideas to help drive the committee forward. Our next meeting will be held on Monday 28th October at 6.15pm in school, to plan and discuss our current events. Please feel free to join us! Alternatively, if you have any fundraising ideas that you would like to share but don't have the spare time to help out, please let us know.

I look forward to another successful year of fundraising at St. Wilfrid's and hope to welcome some new members in the near future.

Warm regards,

Katie Ashcroft
PTFA Chair