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STONE SCHOOL SSPTFA NEWS

AGM

We recently had our SSPTFA AGM. At this meeting we reported on the achievements of SSPTFA over the last year, elected our new committee members and announced our initial plans for this school year.

For those of you who weren't able to join us here is a quick summary of the headlines:

Achievements:

Over the last year SSPTFA raised a whopping **£13,196**.

Our major focus for fundraising last year was to update the school library to create an exciting resourced hub for all our children to visit. We funded the new library space with new furniture and restocked with updated fiction & non fiction books. This project was a costly one at over £12,000.

We also supported the school last year by giving £450 per class to support the cost of school trips and each class had £100 to spend on a class wish list. Additionally we gave money to paint Class R outside space and to Year 6 towards their Leaving celebrations.

We are delighted with this achievement and want to thank you all for your support.

Constitution:

In order to embrace the wider community it was agreed at the AGM to rename & revise our constitution from Stone School PTA to **Stone School Parent Teacher Friends Association (PTFA)**.

Our Fundraising Focus 2016/17

Our technology provision in school desperately needs updating and we have agreed to make this our fundraising focus this year.

We have smart boards in classes but they are 15 years old, projectors are old & unreliable, laptops do not always work and when they do they are very slow so have become an unreliable teaching resource. There are only 19 PCs in the Computing suite serving a class of 30 children.

The school are working in partnership with Turn it On a company that leads IT support in schools to develop a strategic rolling plan to ensure IT is updated regularly.

There are some immediate priorities that have been identified for this first term.

- **Projector & 3m motorised screen in Hall** - This will enable the school to use the hall as an additional learning space, enhance school assemblies and events.
- **Laptops** - At £300 each we need a minimum of 7 to get started for use in each classroom.
- **Projectors** - need to replace 3 at £500 each

How can you, your business or your workplace help?

Please remember we are a registered charity. There are many ways you, your business or the company you work for can help us to achieve our fundraising target of £13,000 to support the school to update its IT provision this year.

- Attend our Events
- Buy a raffle ticket
- Join our 100 Club
- Offer your time & help at events
- Share new fundraising ideas
- Provide a raffle prize
- Provide donations
- Set up a regular cash donation
- Give a one off cash donation
- Sponsor an event or a prize
- Company Match funding or Community Project support through your workplace
- Sponsor the purchase of a piece of IT equipment. e.g. Laptop for a class to enhance learning or a computer in the ICT to increase resources.

If you want to discuss how you can help please contact a member of the SSPTFA. Any help you give to our association this year will directly benefit the children at the school as we support this great fundraising target.

Upcoming Events

21/10 – Bottle Mufti

3/12 – Xmas Fayre

21/10 – Hot Dog Lunch

16/12 – School Disco

11/11 – Quiz Night

22/12 – Pizza Lunch

25/11 – Chocolate Mufti

Your SSPTFA Committee

The committee members for the next year elected at the AGM are:

Chair – Alison Foy

Treasurer – Suzi Rose

Vice Chair – Justine Pettifer

Secretary – Gemma Wardley

Teacher Rep – Miss Anderson

Toni Addison, Caroline Allen, Gemma Brooks, Diane Courtney, Nikki Cuddy, Mary Garrod, Anna Hawes, Lisa King, Hannah Paige, Rachal Scott, Emily Scott, Vicky Stapley, Vic Storey, Steph Strong, Gemma Wardley, Sarah Welford, Liandra Wessels.

We say a sad goodbye to Jo Dover & Megan Hard who are leaving the committee. We thank them for all their commitment and support over many years on the PTA.

We are always on the hunt for new members to join our small & friendly PTA team! Please email SSPASStone@gmail.com if you are interested in joining the committee or to go on our valuable helpers list or if you would like to discuss how you can help and support the SSPTFA this year.

Do be in touch!

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