

# Greville PTA

## Chairman's Report 2006/7

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### PTA Events 2006/7

#### *Autumn Term*

**AGM** – combined with a social event to allow parents to meet the PTA and each other. The charity 'Wheels for the World' was permitted to take a table without charge and raised £40 to fund a wheelchair for a needy recipient abroad.

**Bulbman** – run again after a break last year. £176 raised.

**Bag2School** – Our second Bag2School event raised £175. The next collection is 9am on Weds 17<sup>th</sup> October (bags may also be dropped off during parents' evening the day before)

**Art Projects for School** – allowed the children to design their personal Christmas cards that printed up very professionally. It raised £93 and is running again this year.

**Firework display** – There was masterly teamwork organising this event. Over £1,600 was raised for school funds.

**Christmas Fair** – 25<sup>th</sup> November was enjoyed by all and raised around £4,000. 4M won £100 worth of golden time games for the 'best dressed stall'

**Children's Disco** – with over 320 attendees was the usual success with the children and raised £690 for school funds.

**Calendars** - This again was a lot of work scanning, formatting, printing and binding but we made £888 so very worthwhile.

#### *Spring Term*

**Quiz night & fish & chip supper** – a successfully entertaining evening, raised £215.

**Bag2School** - £172 earned on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb

**Children's Disco** – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March raised £770.

**Gardening Saturday** 3<sup>rd</sup> March – PTA supported the school in clearing the grounds of litter, making a growing garden and other general tidying up activity.

**Easter family bingo - Mar 07** - this event was a sell-out success. It raised £580 for PTA funds and we donated 8 bin bags of Easter Eggs to Tadworth Court for their Easter fund raising event.

#### *Summer term*

**Summer fair** – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Was well received and raised £3,000.

**Promises Auction** – started as an online auction and completed at the fair. Raised over £2000.

**Children's Disco** – The Summer disco was a great success and profit was around £660.

**Theatre Club** – A new activity this year. The club sells discounted tickets for shows such as 'Cats' and raised about £200 for the PTA.

### **Other PTA activity**

**Committee meetings** - held once a month during school term time

**Website** – this is the best place find out what is happening with the PTA. If you shop online please try to access your favourite site through our online shop. If you are an eBay, please access eBay via the website. If you sell on eBay you can benefit the PTA by listing items under the eBay for Charities scheme. There is also a direct link to Amazon. We received £85 in commission last year.

**Donating Online** - We have the option of securely receiving donations online via the 'givenow' website run by the Charities Aid Foundation (CAF). There is a 'donate now' button on the left-hand menu to take you there. If you are a taxpayer you can tick the 'Gift Aid' box to make your donation go further.

**Payroll Giving** - Alternatively, if your employer offers a payroll giving scheme, you can make a regular monthly donation which is tax efficient (each £1 you give only costs you 78p or 60p if you pay higher rate tax). If not, it may be worth suggesting, as grants are now available to small employers to set a scheme up and all the admin is handled by an external payroll giving agency such as CAF. More info on payroll giving on the website.

**Brightminds** – We distribute Brightminds catalogues (educational toys, games and resources) and you place orders and quote our source code **FR-2250**. You can shop online at [www.brightminds.co.uk](http://www.brightminds.co.uk) Last year we turned our vouchers into cash by using them to purchase prizes for the Summer fair envelope game.

**Gift aid** – Over the summer we submitted a gift aid claim of £154. Thanks to everyone for donations and signing the forms.

**Newsletters** – we distributed two newsletters a term.

**2nd hand uniform** – Parents donate uniform children have grown out of and the school passes on its unclaimed lost property. Uniform is sold at major PTA events or ad hoc during the year by contacting Matthew Bone or myself, or by putting a note in the PTA box. There is a price list on the PTA website.

**Vouchers** – thanks to volunteers for collecting and counting all the Sainsbury Active kids vouchers, Tesco vouchers, Nestlé box tops and Persil vouchers

**New starter information pack** – available for all new starters

## **Expenditure**

- Pavilion
- Two shelters
- Infant playground equipment including longboat, hut and climbing wall.
- Junior playground climbing tower
- Year 6 leaving presents
- Footballs, playground games & wet play games
- School Xmas parties
- Crash mats for gym
- Five ‘pop-up’ gazebos
- School ‘growing garden’

## **Thank you**

As always there are lots of people to thank, please forgive me if I have forgotten a few:

**Julie Anderson** – for providing support as Vice Chair throughout the year, making the discos and Fireworks happen

**Matthew Bone** - for his work as Treasurer and liaison with the school

**Margaret Smith** – our secretary, for being there until the end at every event and finding a way to include a comment about the geese on every set of committee minutes

**Carolyn Tear** – for Bulbman and organising Quiz night

**Sue Watts** – first year in school and Sue organised Christmas cards and is taking over disco’s

**Anthony Coton** and team for fireworks display

**Clare Ansett** – for Bingo evening and Theatre Club

**Steve Jones** – for auditing our accounts

**Class reps** - for organising class lists and helping us find volunteers for events and generally promoting a community spirit, I know a lot of people, particularly those new into the school, really appreciate this

**To Chris Webb and all the staff** - who gave up their time to help us at events and come along to our meetings

**The ladies in the office** - for smoothing the way with the admin tasks

**Phil Wheeler** - for all his practical help during the year

**And finally a big thank you to retiring committee members:-**

Julie Anderson

Sarah Jones

Carolyn Tear

Debbie Amos

Felicity Cooke