

PSA Annual Review

A reflection on 2017/18 and plans for the coming year

Another successful year!

Last year, we raised more than £11,000 for our small school, bringing our St. Martin's community together through a busy year of fun filled events.

As well as the regular Fayres, Discos & Cinema Nights, we should be especially proud of our **International Evening**, which saw so many families come together to celebrate with food, music and dance. Back in June, on a beautiful sunny morning we held our first ever **Father's Day Breakfast** which was a wonderful opportunity to welcome Dad's to school over a coffee & croissant! **The RoyalBerks runs raised an incredible £1,500** as well as bringing some fastest in category trophies home! Not least, the **Cake Sale Competition** was hugely exciting, and children and parents baked goodies to raise remarkable amounts for their classrooms.

Last Thursday we held our **AGM and social evening** and voted in the elected PSA roles for the coming year. The evening was well attended, with governors and friends from St. Anne's PSA joining us too. The minutes, together with the full Chair and Treasurer reports can be found on our PSA webpage. Involvement in the PSA Committee extends far beyond the elected members, and for 2018/19, the team comprises the following members; Rashi Agarwal, Catherine Brazil, Charlie Cox, Fiona Duncan, Manu Cuccureddu-Sherman, Nicole Fallon, Sian McCoubrey, Corrinne McLaughlin Hackett, Maz Jones, Theresa Lisi, Federica Baroni-Luis, and Gemma Solanellas. Each committee member has at least one 'job', be it class rep, or looking after the tuck shop procurement, but there are plenty of vacant roles, and everyone is always very welcome to join the committee, or just come along to a meeting. Please get in touch!

Tea & Cake!

The Committee recently meet with Teachers and staff after school and provided cake and goody bags!

We really wanted to strengthen the links and build the St. Martin's Community among parents and staff particularly given the new teaching team this year. We made up some 'goody bags' with some small treats for teachers and included a 'voucher' for them to each spend £100 on items for their classroom.



Zoë de la Pascua
Chair



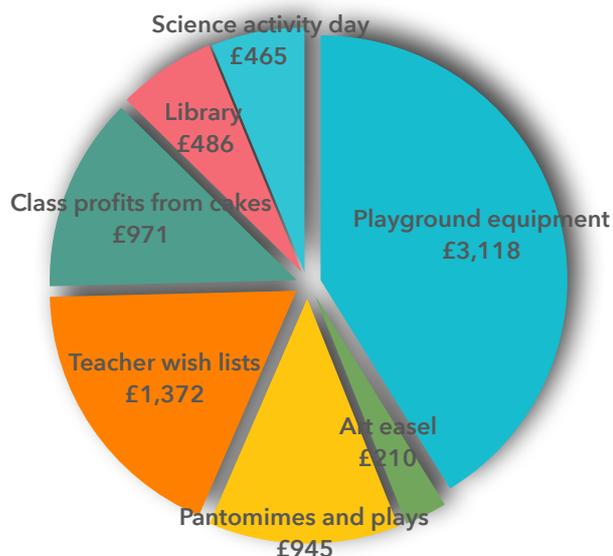
Julie Fuller
Vice Chair



Lucy Ring
Treasurer



Catherine Harris
Secretary



PSA Purchases 2017/18

Annual Spend

Spending last year accounted for just over £7,000

The majority of our spending contributed to the new **Pirate Ship and Train** in the Lima class playground. We have committed to an ongoing annual **library** spend of £500 to ensure books are kept up to date and **Winter and Summer plays** are a wonderful end of term reward for children and account for a total of approximately £1,000 per year.

Additionally, we purchased multiple everyday items following the **teacher wish lists** at Christmas last year, ranging from art supplies, to books and classroom games. Proceeds from the cake sales

allowed teachers and children to get creative with their wish lists, and some classes chose to make memories by holding slime workshops, perfume marking and even a visit from a Magician!

For 2018/19 our focus is sports, outside learning and improving our school environment. There are 24 much needed new tournament kits due imminently and we've earmarked approximately **£5,000 to spend on new playground** markings once we have reviewed quotes and had agreement from staff.

...Here's the roundup of events next term

Thursday 8th November, 8-10pm	Presents, Prosecco & Pampering Evening ***TICKETS ON SALE NOW***
Friday 16th November	Gregory Class Cake Sale
Friday 23rd November	Own clothes Day in exchange for a bottle
Saturday 24th November, 3-5pm	Advent Fayre

We'll be planning the Spring Term PSA events at our meeting on Thursday 13th December, 8pm at The Caversham Rose, please come along and get involved!

THANK YOU!

As parents and staff we are all members of the PSA, and my hope is that we all feel able to contribute to supporting our wonderful school through our activities. Managing the demands of busy lives with the voluntary time spent organising, running or helping out at PSA events is always a challenge, however anyone who's participated in supporting an event, no matter how big or small their input, will know how incredibly rewarding it is. Here's to another great year of fun and fundraising!
Zoë de la Pascua, Chair

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