

Chairpersons report 2023/24

I welcome you to Westfield school PTFA AGM

We have held all our meetings via Teams and in the hall and have had between 6-10 people in attendance. The structure of our meetings seems to be working well. I am hopeful after tonight we will have 2 different times that members of the PTFA can attend meetings in the future.

We have a core group of people who are active in their support and contribution towards helping Westfield PTFA move forward, and it was positive to see some new parents & friends join us throughout last year.

Your school lottery is ticking along but have seen a decrease in members, so we need to give this another push. Easy fundraising has grown loads this year with 3 more people signing up just last week. Our Westfield school PTFA page is growing and really has helped attendance at our community events.

Once again, our community this year have been so giving and really have made fundraising an amazing amount by their fantastic donations and support. We must mention Dales once again who raised an unbelievable amount of £6226. We are so grateful to the Dales team for what they have raised for the school.

Moving forward I would really like to see more committee members and would like to form an office of parents/ friends and an office of staff / friends so more hands make light work but still continue to work altogether. Hopefully this will give the option of 2 different meeting times for anyone to attend which will then increase numbers on the PTFA. If we have the interest this evening for this structure, I have got a few ideas, I would like to put forward.

I would like to thank everyone for their support this last year, none of this would have been possible without everyone's input. It is an absolute pleasure being chair this year, and I hope I have fulfilled the role. It is so nice to be able to see the planning stages of fundraisers, the pennies coming in then our amazing students enjoying the resources and really enhancing their learning experience.

Once again thank you so much for everyone's input.

I would like to end my report by saying a very special thank you to Louise our treasurer who is now stepping down after many years. Thank you for taking our PTFA to great heights of success. Without your dedication and hard work, it would not have been possible. I wish you all the best for the future and we will always be here if you need a cup of tea and piece of cake.

Kathryn Tisdale