

## Chairs Report for the year ended 31 August 2020

Firstly, I'd like to thank everyone in attendance of this virtual AGM and thank you for giving up your valuable time to support the PTA.

As an overview of the role of the PTA at Frogmore infant school we look at ways to develop effective relationships between the staff, parents and other associates with the school and engage in activities or help providing facilities and equipment which support the school and its environment in advancing the education of the pupils.

All parents or guardians of pupils at the school automatically become members of the PTA. In normal circumstances the committee regularly holds open meetings to enable PTA members to share their ideas and feedback with the committee members, who can then make more informed decisions on how to get the most benefit for the PTA and the School. When deciding on potential projects that funds could be raised for, we consult with both teachers and PTA members, before a final decision is made by a formal vote of the committee members.

The PTA is a registered charity with the charity commission in England and Wales, registered with HMRC for gift aid purposes, and operates in accordance with our formal constitution.

2020 has been a difficult year for fundraising due to the covid-19 pandemic bringing a unique set of problems which everyone has had to work together to adapt and overcome and many of the PTA's conventional fundraising events such as school discos, parents mornings and fairs have been unable to take place. Despite this the PTA has had a successful year seeing many long term projects completed.

February saw the installation of an all weather canopy over the quad giving pupils an additional all year round accessible learning space. Several improvements were made to the reception years outdoor area including improving the drainage, contributions to improve the sensory garden and the purchasing of additional storage and play equipment. A shipping container was purchased and installed on the school ground



giving much needed extra storage to both the PTA for stock storage and giving the school the chance to free up storage space inside the main building while also making the educational resources required more accessible. Outdoor instruments have been installed in both the reception years outdoor area and the main playground and a new PTA website has been created to consolidate all the PTA information in one place and make it more accessible but also to enable us to set up an online PTA shop which is currently being used for our Christmas item sale, an event which would have previously been held in the hall and without the website we would have been unable to run.

As a final note I would like to say a massive thank you to all those who have supported the PTA in these difficult times, from those who have held committee roles, volunteered to help run events and donated time and resources. Even the smallest amount of help is always gratefully welcomed and every penny of financial support from buying raffle tickets to the purchase of a single item from the PTA shop all adds up along with the kind donations received during non-uniform days. It is the support of everyone together that has made the Frogmore Infant school PTA so successful, thank you.

Pete Napper Chair