

## **Deerhurst & Apperley PTFA AGM Committee Report - Sam Butler & Vikki Pearce**

17th June 2025

Welcome everyone and thank you for attending this 2024/2025 AGM.

Firstly, we'd like to thank everyone, you have in some form played a part in again making the PTFA a huge success this year!

The object of the PTFA is to enrich our children's lives and we do this by organising fundraising events and activities for the children both inside and outside the school. We aim to make these as much fun as possible and to involve as many people as we can within the school and local community.

The PTFA is run by a committee that is elected each year at the AGM. The AGM meeting is the only formal meeting of the year for the PTFA and deals with the formalities of committee elections, financial audits, and plans. A copy of the Constitution is available on request.

Before I launch the formalities, I'd like to acknowledge and thank our serving PTFA Committee.

Treasurer - James Alderman Bowers  
Secretary - Vikki Pearce  
Chair - Sam Butler

This year there are two resignations, from myself and Sam.

These are just the official committee positions, we have an amazing team whose dedication, hard work and commitment to the PTFA has enabled us to accomplish our goals. So, thank you as you all really do "make it happen".

On a personal note, we feel privileged to have been able to hold our roles as Secretary and Chair, to be part of an amazing school, with truly amazing children, parents & staff, helping the school to provide additional resources for the children. Over the last 3 years we have raised just over £20,000 for school.

We are always looking for new ideas from parents and teachers, and anyone willing to help implement them is very welcome to get involved. If you have any suggestions, these can be made at PTFA meetings, by email, via our facebook page or by catching one of us at the school gates.

And finally, to all the members of the committee who yet again have somehow managed to pull together despite having other commitments along the way.

Sarah Morgan - Jumble sale guru, super book scanner and health and safety officer!  
DJ James Warner - for not only getting the kids dancing at the discos but for driving the practicalities of installing the hub  
Elin Paulson - our lead dancer, sign painter extraordinaire and super helper  
Chloe Brown - for sourcing raffle prizes and always being willing to muck in  
Fran Tyler - for helping to organise the Easter trails, painting the hub and being a super helper  
Jess Rayson - for organising Rags to Riches once a term

Plus so many more, who've also got stuck in and helped man stalls, serve teas and coffees and helped along the way. One of our non-fundraising goals has been to try and include and engage more parents along the way and we're really proud that we now have an army of helpers.

Thank you to all of you!

Here's a summary of some of last year's activities. We'll hear a detailed breakdown in the Treasurer's report shortly. I just wanted to mention our top fundraising events & what we have been able to fund.

- The Hub - this was a big target that we fundraised for over the last couple years and it's been amazing to see this come to life.
- £1000 a term to school - which has funded all the little extras that each class needs plus big ticket items such as isingPop and the travelling Panto.

This year we have been saving again to fund new laptops for the school (£6,000) and to help cover costs of refurbishing the school loos (£11,000).

The PTFA is in a really strong position and Sam and I will be handing it over to very capable hands to continue the fun!