



8th September 2015

Dear Parent / Carer

New PTA Chair Required!

I have been doing the PTA Chair role for 3 years and I am looking to hand over the baton to some new blood! I have really enjoyed being Chair and will stay involved in the PTA, but recognise that it is good to have fresh ideas and new parents/carers on board. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Wednesday 30th September and it is at this meeting that a new Chair will need to be recruited and voted in.

All parents and carers of children in the school are automatically members of the PTA, so it is something we are all involved in. We are really lucky in Oswald Road to have such an active parent/carer community. Many of the members who attend meetings have older children in the school and we need to ensure some succession planning, so we would really welcome new parents/carers to the school, with younger children, who would like to be more involved in enriching the school community and improving the playground for all our children (Going for Green, which is our current fundraising priority).

If you are interested in becoming Chair of the PTA, here is a bit about the role and some of things I have enjoyed doing as Chair:

- Three termly one-to-one meetings with the Head Teacher to discuss the PTA calendar and funding priority.
- To Chair meetings 6 times per school year, where any parent/carer can come along - this can be done in any way as long as funding decisions are properly recorded and minutes taken.
- To develop the PTA calendar for the school year in consultation with other members.
- To liaise with the school regarding PTA news and events so things can be included in the school newsletter.
- To develop things in a new way - it doesn't have to stay the same!

Also, the job can be done on a job-share basis if you wanted to share the load! I first took on the role as part of a job share arrangement and it worked well. The event organising is spread across the committee and we all pitch in. Myself and the other members will support the new chair and welcome all new parents/carers.

Please note that the PTA raises the money for the school and the playground (Going for Green). It doesn't project manage any of the playground development, so this would not be a job of the Chair; this is the role of the school and governors.

Don't be daunted or overwhelmed by the role, it is really rewarding and a fulfilling position.



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Just have a go!

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Kind Regards
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