



## Chair's Report to the AGM – 2024

### About the PTFA

The principal role of the PTFA (Parents, Teachers, Friends Association) at Newton Poppleford Primary School is to support the school and its children, particularly through fundraising activities, allowing the funding of school trips, classroom resources, and educational experiences. We also aim to provide community events that allow the children, parents, staff and wider community to come together to socialise and celebrate. All parents, carers, staff, and governors from the school are automatically members, and other friends of the school can become members.

The PTFA is registered as a charity under the name “Newton Poppleford School Association” with charity number 1015155. The PTFA is run by a committee who are elected each year by PTFA members at the Annual General Meeting. The PTFA follows a model constitution provided by Parentkind.

We have been continuing our ongoing WhatsApp virtual meeting, which has proven very effective, with face-to-face meetings alongside. Anyone who wishes to join the WhatsApp group should contact the Chair on 07909 798441. Regular PTFA meetings are held throughout the year and all members are invited to attend. The PTFA always welcomes suggestions for future activities and events and any significant expenditure must be voted on by the parents and teachers present at a PTFA meeting.

A new PTFA committee will be elected at the AGM on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024, all parents and other PTFA members are encouraged to attend. Many thanks to Jon Leeson-Kings (Treasurer), Georgia Trengove (Secretary), and Henry Odbert (Deputy Chair) for their service on the committee during the 2023/24 year.

### From the Chair

This year has been an absolutely fantastic effort from the whole school community that has resulted in a brilliant fundraising total of **£10,740**.

I am very proud of the PTFA team who made this total possible. We would not be able to organise the busy schedule of events and fundraisers that fill the school calendar without the incredible team we are so lucky to have. The committee have worked tirelessly behind the scenes and my gratitude is endless. That thanks is extended to the larger PTFA team and Class Reps who contribute to planning, organising, idea brainstorming, troubleshooting, making, baking, buying, wrapping, promoting, recruiting, raffle prize gathering and manning stalls. I am very grateful to all those who helped run our events, to the local businesses and organisations who support them, and to everyone who takes part. This wonderful group of people volunteer their time, expertise and energy with a selfless community spirit, always with a smile and it is a pleasure to work with you all.



## PTFA Income during the year 2023/24

### Events

£520	Bonfire night BBQ
£315	Christmas cards
£1,098	Christmas fair
£217	Preschool nativity raffle
£345	Spring disco
£234	Tropic party
£446	Easter egg hunt and rainbow raffle
£214	Summer disco
£126	Break the rules day
£190	Art raffle
£248	Book fair
£3,146	Summer fete
£274	Freezy Fridays
£20	Sports day refreshments
£1,550	Class cake sales

### Donations

£56	Pebblebed Landscaping sunflower seeds competition
£122	Mr Filer's tennis club
£50	Seb and Elsie Straddling-White
£55	Clean Start

### Grants

£150	Co-Op grant
------	-------------

### Passive Fundraising

£1,109	School lottery
£80	Uniform shop
£174	Clothing bank

We were delighted to work with Newton Poppleford & Harpford Parish Council and the Stingey family at The Cannon Inn again at the village bonfire night event. Many thanks to Sian Pond for organising a great fun Tropic Party in aid of the PTFA. Acknowledgment and thanks to Jody Hall for her hard work in coordinating the Christmas Card artwork in school. Thank you to Amy Sweet for arranging the art raffle. Thank you to Claire and Ben at Pebblebed Landscaping for making us the beneficiary of their community sunflower competition. Many thanks to Steve Filer for hosting a weekly tennis club and donating half the profits to the PTFA. Thank you so much to the entrepreneurial Sebbie and Elsie for selling their amazing creations and donating the profits. Thank you to Paul Boddington at Clean Start for his donation. Thank you to Anna Oldroyd for organising and running the clothing bank. Thank you to Georgia Trengove for successfully winning a Co-Op grant. Huge thanks to those who have kindly donated their school lottery winnings to the PTFA. And thank you to all the class reps for organising their class bake sales. And finally, huge thanks to Ant Pope and the Newton Pop staff team that support all the PTFA efforts with such enthusiasm.



## Projects funded by the PTFA

The school have been gratefully spending all this hard earned cash on our children! This year the PTFA have funded;

- Preschool Christmas books
- Preschool Chris Johnson animal encounters
- Preschool outdoor art easel
- Preschool leavers gifts
- Preschool/Reception water bottles
- Reception trip to Seaton Wetlands
- Reception classroom resources
- Reception/KS1 Katy Cawkwell storyteller workshop
- Reception/KS1 reading scheme books
- Year 1 trip to the Golden Hind in Brixham
- Year 2 Trip to Plymouth National Marine Aquarium
- Year 2 visit from the Toy Museum
- Year 3 trip to Lyme Regis
- Year 5 trip to Escot
- Year 5 trip to The Eden Project
- Year 6 trip to RAMM
- Year 6 leavers activities
- KS2 STEM Crumble kits
- Rachel Delahaye author visit
- Simon James author visit
- Sports day coloured bands
- Christmas crafting materials
- East Devon Band Christmas concert
- African drumming workshop
- Allotment materials
- Poly tunnel
- Sports equipment
- Uniform shop shed

## Thank you

I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all the parents, school staff, and family members who have supported the PTFA. Our events could not happen without this wonderful team of volunteers and those who attend and engage with our events, helping to raise money and bringing the school and wider community together, ultimately benefitting our children during their school experience. The PTFA could not continue without your support.

Teri Murphy

PTFA Chair (2020-24)