

Parents Support Group

Committee 2017/2018

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| Chair | Janine Banjar | Treasurer | Paula Elkington |
| Vice Chair | Sara Baxter | Secretary | Emily Merko |
| | Social Media Coordinator | Sam Selway | |

Dear Parents and Carers,

WELCOME BACK! We hope you all had a great summer holiday.

At the end of last year the new Committee for the Parent Support Group was elected as follows:

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| Chair: | Janine Banjar (mum of Keira in Year 6 and Ashlee in Year 3) |
| Vice Chair: | Sara Baxter (mum of Karis in Year 3) |
| Treasurer: | Paula Elkington (mum of Ellie in Year 6) |
| Secretary: | Emily Merko (mum of Eva in Year 4 and Olivia in Year 1) |
| Social Media Coordinator: | Sam Selway (mum of Summer in Year 4 and Harvey in Year 2) |

For those of you who are new to the school, the PSG is a fundraising group made up of everyone from parents and teachers to supporters of the school. Everyone is automatically a member and very welcome to come along to our meetings or help in whatever way they can. We welcome all offers of help from running stalls and baking cakes to serving refreshments and suggesting any ideas. We support the school by planning a variety of events and activities designed to both raise money for our school and, perhaps more importantly, to enhance the school experience for the children and families of our school community.

Many many thanks to last year's committee for all their hard work, we hope we can follow in your footsteps. We are already brimming over with ideas for the year ahead, many of which have come from your suggestions on Facebook. We have some idea of what the money will go towards. The main plan for fundraising this year is to support the school in an overhaul of the Library. In addition we are planning to dedicate an event to each key stage both to run and to benefit from the funds raised. Any other ideas for the funds are welcome.

So without further a-do here are some exciting dates for your diary:

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| Friday 29 th September, 9.10am | PSG Meeting, meeting at the office |
| Friday 13 th October | Cake sale after school in the hall (proceeds to Year 1/2) |
| Friday 20 th October | Mufti Day – <i>bring in £1 contribution towards the Christmas Fayre</i> |
| Friday 20 th October | Monster Ball disco (details coming soon!) |
| Friday 24 th November | Sweetie jars for Christmas Fayre (details to follow) |
| Saturday 2 nd December | Christmas Fayre |
| Friday 15 th December | Christmas Film – straight after school |
| Friday 19 th January | Cake sale after school in the hall (proceeds to EYFS) |
| Friday 2 nd March | Cake sale after school in the hall (proceeds to Year 3/4) |
| Friday 27 th April | Spring Disco |
| Friday 18 th May | Mufti Day – <i>bring in £1 contribution towards the Summer Fayre</i> |
| Friday 8 th June | Cake sale after school in the hall (proceeds to Year 5/6) |
| Friday 22 nd June | Sweetie jars for Summer Fayre (details to follow) |
| Thursday 29 th July | Year 6 Leavers' Disco |

We know that the children would love a Christmas Disco and we really wanted to provide this but we felt that with the run-up to Christmas: school shows, class parties, not to mention

Christmas shopping, that everyone, including children, teachers and parents would be fairly exhausted. So we thought that we would save the discos for other times in the year and finish the Christmas term with a chilled out Film Night complete with popcorn and hot chocolate.

Our first meeting of the year will be on **Friday 29th September at 9.05am** in the Studio Hall. We would love to see you there to share with you our fundraising ideas and to hear yours. If Fridays are not convenient for you but you would like to be involved, please do let us know via our Facebook page or grab one of the Committee in the playground and we will keep you updated. The PSG is grateful to all the parents that volunteer to help at our many events; from a couple of hours at the Christmas Fayre to regular brainstorming meetings, our events wouldn't happen without your support.

If you haven't already found us, we are on Facebook – search for "Midsomer Norton Primary School – Parent Support Group". We place as much information on this page as possible for upcoming events and if anyone has any questions or need any advice then the best way is via this page. If you are not on Facebook you can email us at msnprimarypsg@hotmail.co.uk or grab one of us in the playground. We will also be listing meetings and upcoming events in the weekly newsletter as well as on the PSG notice boards in the top and bottom playgrounds.

We are looking forward to an exciting year and hope that you will be able to support our events!

Many thanks,
Your PSG Committee