The Woodside Association

Chair's Annual Report 2025/2026

Introduction & Welcome

As we come to the end of our first year as the new Woodside School PTA, we wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly fantastic year.

The purpose of the PTA is to bring our school community together and raise funds to provide additional resources, experiences and opportunities for the children of Woodside.

Taking over from Catherine was never going to be an easy task. She had built such a fantastic PTA, raised incredible funds and left us with some very big shoes to fill.

From the very start, everyone has encouraged us, volunteered, donated and supported our events. That support has given us the opportunity to add in new events to the PTA calendar, such as family bingo, movie nights, 2026 challenge and the popular Freeze Fridays.

Looking back now, we couldn't be prouder of what we have all achieved together and you all should be so proud.

Review of Events & Successes

This time last year we started with second hand uniform sales and Break the Rules Days, before moving on to the first disco of the school year, we were surprised by its success and raised £923! And then ending the year with the Christmas fair and raising an amazing £1,333.

While the 2026 Challenge isn't included in our financial report and overall fundraising total, we simply couldn't let the year go by without highlighting its incredible success. It raised an amazing £2,361 and, more importantly, brought children, families and the wider school community together. A huge thank you to Lindsay for leading on the challenge and making it such a fantastic success.

Our Family Easter Bingo Night was a fantastic evening, raising £521. It was brilliant to see so many families come along, get involved and enjoy the evening together.

Our Movie Nights were another great addition to the PTA calendar, giving the children a chance to enjoy a film with their friends while raising an amazing £392.

And, of course, we finished the year with our Summer Fair, raising £2,748, it was our biggest fundraiser of the year and a brilliant way to round off our first year.

Financial Overview

Our biggest achievement this year has been raising an incredible:

£12,646

For our very first year, we are incredibly proud of this achievement, but even more proud of the people behind it that made this possible.

The money raised belongs to the children of Woodside, and we are incredibly proud of the difference it has already made, providing an ice cream van, Picture News, Christmas decorations and crackers, as well as Year 6 leavers' yearbooks, with special thanks to Maria Atton.

The 2026 Challenge also funded a fantastic range of new musical equipment.

The detailed figures and items will be noted in the Treasurer's Report.

Thank You & Acknowledgements

We simply couldn't have achieved this without the incredible support we've received.

A huge thank you to our PTA committee members for all the time, energy and ideas you've put into making last year such a success.

Thank you to the Woodside staff for supporting our events, helping us along the way and always being willing to work with us.

Thank you to all the parent and carer volunteers who have given up their time.

Thank you to the local businesses and members of our community who have supported us through donations.

And finally, thank you to every family who has attended an event, bought a raffle ticket, joined in with a challenge, donated or encouraged someone else to support the PTA.

Every single contribution has helped us reach this point.

Looking Ahead

We've learnt a huge amount this year and our aim is to build on this and continue bringing families together and raise even more funds to provide fantastic opportunities for the children of Woodside.

We hope that next year will be even bigger, better and, most importantly, just as much fun.

Many Thanks

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