



Chairman's Report 2023-2024

The Aylesbury Grammar School (AGS) Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) has had another notable year, fostering a strong partnership with new Year 7 parents and the broader school community. Our efforts focused on organising engaging social events and fundraising initiatives, while onboarding and integrating several new Year 7 volunteer parents into our working methods, to ensure their long-term commitment to the PTA.

Throughout the academic year, the PTA organised events that brought together parents, teachers, and students, strengthening the bonds within the AGS community. These events provided opportunities for networking and socialising and served as platforms for fundraising initiatives that directly benefited the school.

Some notable events included the annual Summer Fete on 15th June, which attracted a solid turnout despite the weather's best efforts and raised funds through various activities and stalls. The PTA also organised a new 50:50 club and the always popular raffles, and ran bars at essential school events during the year, garnering enthusiastic participation from the AGS community.

A recap of the year....

Autumn Term

Organising the traditional Year 7 Activity Day event proved tricky for the second consecutive year. Despite a new volunteer parent stepping forward, finding and agreeing on a suitable venue proved difficult. Eventually, a venue was suggested, but it was late in the term, prompting the committee to postpone the event until the next academic year. However, with some groundwork already done, the PTA aims to revive the Year 7 Activity Day with renewed enthusiasm for the incoming Year 7 students in September. Still, we need a volunteer to lead the event with the support of the rest of the PTA.

During the autumn term, the PTA's event calendar has traditionally been light, with the only notable activity being the running of a bar at the school's "Our House" production in October. However, a special mention goes to the Christmas raffle. Under the guidance of Lizzie, one of the PTA's established superstars, the Xmas raffle was a resounding success this year, raising an impressive £1,700 for the school.

Spring Term

The PTA hosted its annual Curry & Quiz evening on 2nd March. Although ticket sales were lower than in previous years, the event remains one of the PTA's pillar events, showcasing the school community's strengths. The lively atmosphere likely resulted in a few sore heads the following morning, and the event raised an impressive £1,800, a testament to the tremendous efforts of Alex, Chrissie, and everyone who contributed to its success.

Another event was the Year 7 parents' welcome event. This year, Helena, a new volunteer parent, organised Beetle Drive. The event was well-attended, and the feedback from new parents was overwhelmingly positive. Helena's efforts in putting together this event deserve special recognition.

The Year 7 Disco and additional bar events further enriched the PTA's calendar, keeping many volunteer parents actively involved. These events raised funds and fostered a sense of community and engagement within the AGS family.

And finally, the Summer Term

This year, the PTA successfully organised another memorable Summer Fete. Although the event had to operate under the wet-weather plan, the team's steely grit and determination resulted in an incredible amount of money raised for the school.

The PTA's efforts in organising various engaging activities and stalls paid off. The annual Summer Fete remains one of the PTA's stellar events, showcasing the school community's strengths and fostering a sense of togetherness.

Our treasurer, Colin, will provide more details on the money raised later. However, a huge thank you is owed to Sarah, everyone involved in organising the Summer Fete, and the entire PTA parent volunteer community for their strong support and participation, which made this event a resounding success despite the weather challenges.

Thank Yous

As we reach the end of another successful year for the Aylesbury Grammar School (AGS) Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all who have contributed to our accomplishments. Your unwavering dedication and support have been invaluable to the core team, event leaders, and the new volunteer parents.

However, this also marks a poignant moment as we always must bid farewell to a few who are naturally coming to the end of their son's involvement in the school. This year is particularly challenging, as those who have been the bedrock of our committee for many years, working tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure our success, will be leaving us.

This year, we extend our most profound appreciation to Sarah, Alex, and Colin, whose exceptional contributions have significantly driven the PTA's success. Your commitment, dedication, and impact on the AGS community will be missed.

The foundation they have laid and the example they have set will serve as a guiding light for those who follow in their footsteps.

Your contributions have left an indelible mark on the AGS community!

Closing remarks

The PTA has had a remarkable year. The funds raised will go towards the EB4 refurbishment and the purchase of additional Table tennis tables.

While the current core team remains small, we have had another year in which we have punched well above our weight, as evidenced by the fantastic amount of money raised. However, the PTA recognises the need to finalise several vital internal roles; work will be done over the summer to finalise them. These roles will be advertised on the school page and Classist to attract new volunteer

parents who will hopefully bring the much-needed fresh input in terms of new ideas & energy that the committee need.

This will ensure a full quota of events and initiatives, fostering a sustainable and long-term commitment to the PTA's mission.

That said, the PTA's achievements this year would not have been possible without the dedication and hard work of every member. As summer break approaches, it is essential to appreciate the collective efforts and their positive impact on the AGS community. Looking ahead, the PTA remains steadfast in its support of the school and our boys. With a strong foundation, a clear vision, and a determination to "shoot for the stars," the upcoming academic year promises to be even more successful and rewarding.

Have a wonderful summer with your families, and may the PTA return refreshed and ready to tackle new challenges with renewed vigour and enthusiasm.

Mr Damian Willingale – PTA Chair



Aylesbury Grammar School PTA Accounts 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024			
2023-2024	Income	Expenditure	Net
50/50 Club	£ 3,101.83	-£ 1,129.92	£ 4,231.75
PTA Bar	£ 901.92	-£ 723.83	£ 1,625.75
Beetle Drive	£ 402.82	-£ 118.44	£ 521.26
Y7 Disco	£ 466.76	£ -	£ 466.76
Curry & Quiz	£ 3,929.39	-£ 1,964.49	£ 5,893.88
Winter Raffle	£ 1,724.23	£ -	£ 1,724.23
Summer Raffle	£ 3,705.50	£ -	
Summer Fete	£ 9,392.33	-£ 4,453.16	£ 13,845.49
Easy Fundraising	£ 271.05	£ -	£ 271.05
Just Giving	£ -	£ -	£ -
Giving Machine	£ 32.87	£ -	£ 32.87
ParentKind	£ -	-£ 153.00	£ 153.00
Bucks Lottery	£ 1,854.50	£ -	£ 1,854.50
SHU	£ 1,644.96	£ -	£ 1,644.96
Cabaret	£ 451.17	-£ 326.49	£ 777.66
School Prom	£ 1,107.81	£ -	£ 1,107.81
Y7 Social	£ 14.78	£ -	£ 14.78
Café	£ 447.54	-£ 56.23	£ 503.77
Other	£ 525.28	-£ 548.09	£ 1,073.37
Totals	£ 29,974.74	-£ 9,473.65	
Total funds Raised			£ 20,501.09
2022/2023 brought forward			£ 38,590.58
Funds Raised			£ 29,974.74
Expenditure			-£ 9,473.65
PTA float			-£ 250.00
Sub-total			£ 58,841.67
Donations to AGS			
AGS - Outdoor t/tennis tables		£2,944.63	
Mulled Wine for Carol Concert		£37.50	
School Bursaries - incl School Gazebos		£2,255.00	
AGS Sport equipment		£16.38	
AGS Sport equipment - t/tennis bats & balls		£49.13	
TOTAL			-£ 5,302.64
Balance Remaining			£ 53,539.03
Represented by			
Current account Nat West Plc 31 August 2024			£ 53,539.03



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Aylesbury Grammar School PTA

On accounts for the year
ended

31/08/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1091248

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08/2024**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Claire Mignot

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