

ASHMEAD PTA

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Status	The organisation is a charity registered on 4 November 2010
Charity number	1140023
Registered office and operational address	Ashmead PTA Ashmead Primary School Ashmead Road London SE8 4DX
Bankers	NatWest NatWest Business Banking PO Box 16204 Birmingham B2 2WP

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Structure, governance and management

The trustees appointed during the year ending 31 August 2025 were as follows:

Name	Appointed	Role
Anecia Coppack	18 October 2024	Secretary
Sarah Hainsworth	18 October 2024	Treasurer
Angela Farmer	18 October 2024	Chairperson
Daniel Rahamim	18 October 2024	Committee Member
Rudolf Van Koningsveld	18 October 2024	Committee Member

The governing document of the charity is its constitution, as amended 18 October 2024, and the charity is constituted as an Association. Trustees are appointed by members of the Association (comprising parents, guardians, carers of pupils and school staff) at the Annual General Meeting. Trustees can be co-opted at any time.

Principal Purpose

The Ashmead Primary School PTA (Ashmead PTA) is an accessible community connected with Ashmead School, South East London, dedicated to:

- **Developing** effective relationships between staff, parents, and others associated with the school.
- **Enriching** the school experience through funding and organising activities, facilities, and equipment that enhance our children's education and school life.

Objectives and Activities

- **Education & Support** To advance the education of pupils by providing facilities and equipment not normally provided by the local authority.
- **Community Building** To foster a strong, inclusive community through events that bring together staff, parents, and local residents.
- **Fundraising** To generate funds specifically for pupil well-being, curriculum enrichment, and large-scale school improvements.

All funds raised are used to provide facilities or activities identified by the school's Senior Leadership Team as being of direct benefit to the children and their education.

Achievements and Performance (Chair's Summary)

It is with immense pride and gratitude that I look back on the 2024/25 academic year for the Ashmead PTA. Each year, we execute a diverse calendar of fundraising events; however, 2024/25 was defined not just by the numbers on a spreadsheet, but by the incredible spirit of our parents, staff, and local community who came together to make Ashmead an even more vibrant place for our children.

This year, we set our sights higher than ever before. Alongside our beloved annual traditions, we channeled our collective energy into an extraordinary milestone: sponsoring a brand-new, state-of-the-art playground. In tandem with this build, we successfully introduced vibrant new event formats designed to bring our parents and children closer together. I am thrilled to report that we exceeded our expectations on both fronts.

The Big Vision: Project Playground & Our Record-Breaking Auction With the school's 50th Anniversary approaching in 2025, we launched our 'Project Playground' vision with a fundraising goal of £50,000. This new playground has become much more than just a place to play; it is now the beating heart of school life outside the classroom. By replacing scattered, older structures with a unified, modern design, the project has created an inclusive space that inspires children of all year groups to explore together. This transformation represents one of the largest infrastructure renovations at Ashmead since the construction of the new school building on Lewisham Way, standing as a lasting legacy of what our community can achieve.

The centerpiece of this effort was our **Auction of Promises Evening**. It was a staggering success, raising over £13,000 in a single night. This truly humbling display of generosity from those who donated put us well on our way to creating a world-class environment for our kids.

Going the Extra Mile: The Sponsored Fun Run Our Sponsored Fun Run was a highlight of the summer term, bringing energy and healthy competition to the Alex Yee Ladywell Arena. It was more than a local success; we were proud to be featured in the national **Parentkind newsletter**, showcasing Ashmead's community spirit to a wider audience. This event was a major contributor to our record-breaking year. Crucially, the individual sponsorship gifted by our donors represented the largest contribution toward our overall funding goal.

Beloved Traditions Our Winter and Summer Fairs remain the heartbeat of our calendar, raising nearly £10,000 combined. From the 'Love Books & Bakes' sale and the Choir Performance at the Stonehouse to the School & Parents' Disco, these events helped to ensure that every family felt included in the Ashmead journey.

Investing in Our Children With the support of our Ashmead community, we were able to award a total of **£54,035** to the school this year. This funding is already making a tangible difference, providing:

- Subsidised school trips to ensure every child can participate.
- Inspiring author visits and new library resources to spark a love for literacy.
- Classroom plants and air filters to create healthier learning spaces.
- Commemorative "Leavers T-Shirts" for our Year 6 students.

A Green and Healthy Future We have stayed true to our commitment to sustainability. From the student-led Air Filter project to our Playground Planting group, we are teaching our children to be good stewards of their own environment.

Financial Review

The PTA generates most of its income from fundraising events and typically maintains minimal overheads. As this income stream is inherently uncertain, the PTA avoids committing to expenses that cannot be covered by existing reserves. It is our policy to retain reserves of at least £3,000 to ensure sufficient liquidity to run our key fundraising events each year.

2024/25 Financial Performance:

- The PTA achieved record-breaking fundraising revenue since its inception, driven by the ambitious 'Project Playground' initiative.
- The income-to-expenditure ratio remained stable, ensuring the PTA closed another positive financial year on solid footing.

Future Outlook

Looking ahead, the 2025/26 academic year will mark a shift in our financial focus. In the absence of a flagship capital campaign on the scale of 'Project Playground,' we expect our revenues to normalise back toward 2023/24 levels. While we project a slight increase in raw funding, our operational costs are likely to rise at a steeper rate due to the impact of inflation, particularly fuel and energy costs affecting venue hire and logistics.

This 'new normal' comes at a time of ongoing strain on families due to the rising cost of living. We are acutely aware that the ability to contribute financially is balanced against tightening household budgets. Similarly, as work commitments intensify, the 'gift of time' from volunteers has become a rarer commodity. As we move into our 50th Anniversary year, our goal is to remain a source of joy and support for the school without placing undue burden on our community. We will continue to seek out creative, low-cost ways to bring us together, ensuring the spirit of Ashmead remains vibrant and inclusive.

Volunteers

The Ashmead PTA is run entirely by volunteers recruited from parents, carers, and staff. Many thanks to everyone who has given their time this year to contribute to our thriving community. The PTA does not have any paid employees.

How we support the school

Financial support

Ashmead PTA remains dedicated to providing a range of benefits, including ongoing support for school trips, classroom resources, IT equipment, and enhancements to outdoor areas. To meet our targets this year, in addition to our Summer and Winter Fairs, the Auction Evening and Sponsored Fun Run were pivotal in allowing us to deliver the new playground.

Publicity and building our community

We continue to organise activities that bring parents, carers, and staff together, celebrating the diversity within our school. Both the Trustees and the Headteacher view this community-building as being of equal importance to fundraising.

Ashmead PTA promotes its work via the Headteacher's weekly newsletter, social media, and Class WhatsApp groups. Furthermore, Trustees engage with parents at coffee mornings and committee meetings, maintaining an ethos that is inclusive, welcoming, and particularly focused on engaging families that may be harder to reach.

Declaration

The trustees confirm that to the best of their knowledge, there is no information relevant to the examination of which the independent examiner is unaware. The trustees also confirm that they have taken all the necessary steps to ensure that they themselves are aware of all relevant information and that this information has been communicated to the independent examiner.

Angela Farmer

Trustee & 2024/25 Chair

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Receipts and payments

		Unrestricted funds, 2024-25	Unrestricted funds, 2023-24
		£	£
Receipts			
Fund raising income	note 2a	33,934	13,732
Donations	note 2b	27,804	2,853
Total		61,739	16,585
Payments			
Cost of fundraising events	note 2a	5,374	4,427
Donations to school	note 3	54,035	7,050
Administration costs	note 4	1,939	358
Total		61,349	11,835
Net of receipts		390	4,750
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward	note 1	15,675	4,626
Total funds carried forward	note 1	16,065	15,675

Statement of assets and liabilities

	Unrestricted funds, 2024-25 £	Unrestricted funds, 2023-24 £
Cash at bank and in hand	16,065	15,675
Total Cash at bank and in hand	16,065	15,675
Assets retained for Charity use	-	-
Subtotal	-	-
Represented by		
Accumulated reserves brought forward	15,675	4,626
Surplus/deficit	390	11,049
Total	16,065	15,675

Approved by the trustees on 17 October 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Angela Farmer
Trustee & 2024/25 Chair

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Analysis of movement in funds	As at 1 Sept 24	Gains/ losses	As at 31 Aug 25
Restricted Funds	-	-	-
General/Unrestricted Funds	15,675	390	16,065
Total	15,675	-	16,065

Note 2a: Trading Activities

	2024-25			2023-24		
	Income	Expenditure	Net funds raised	Income	Expenditure	Net funds raised
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cake Sales	806.57	-	806.57	764.46	-	764.46
Wreath Making Workshops	451.00	324	127.00	605	544.5	60.5
Winter Fair	4645.28	1350.2	3295.08	6,384.28	1,712.34	4,671.94
Winter Fair Raffle	1889.86	-	1889.86	-	-	-
Merchandise	1062.45	-	1062.45	1,218.32	1,073.40	144.92
Disco	654.14	-	654.14	597.37	440.49	156.88
Auction Event	15472.35	1762.36	13709.99	-	-	-
Fun Run Entry & Bar/Cafe sales	3500.20	418	3082.20	-	-	-
Choir Event	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Fair	1303.32	1519.71	-216.39	3,187.05	389.28	2,797.77
Summer Raffle	4149.27	-	4149.27	-	-	-
Parent/Carer Socials	-	-	-	975.15	266.86	708.29
Total	33,934.44	5,374.27	28,560.17	13,731.63	4,426.87	9,304.76

Note 2b: Donations and Grants

	Unrestricted funds, 2024-25	Unrestricted funds, 2023-24
	£	£
Asda CashPot	125.45	-
PTA Member Employer Matched Fundir	1,650.00	488
FunRun Fundraising Charities Trust	16,109.77	-
Easy Fundraising	894.83	516
Gift Aid	839.28	-
Just Giving	4,866.85	-
PayPal	-	-
Strickland & Co	500.00	-
Summer Fair	177.67	-
Winter Fair	757.68	847
Wonderful	2,008.03	852
Stickins	-	-
Other Donations	-	150
Total	27,804	2,853

Note 3: Donations to School

	Unrestricted funds, 2024-25	Unrestricted funds, 2023-24
	£	£
Recurring funding		
Year 6 Leavers Shirts	500	250
Magazine Subscriptions	1,000	1,000
Library resources	-	500
Author visit	700	700
School Trips	1,500	1,500
Classroom Plants	-	100
One off funding 23/24		
Kiln	-	3,000
Playground Project	50,335	-
Total	54,035	7,050

Note 4: Administration Costs

	Unrestricted funds, 2024-25	Unrestricted funds, 2023-24
	£	£
SumUp fee	303	110
SumUp Machines x 2	-	60
Superkind Fun Run Stripe fee	324	-
Superkind Fun Run Gift Aid Reclaim fee	171	-
Summer Raffle Stripe fee	150	-
Winter Raffle Stripe fee	138	-
Silent Auction Stripe fee	644	-
Annual membership to Parentkind, the PTA support group	162	153
ICO - Data Protection Renewal	47	35
Total	1,939	358

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ASHMEAD PTA

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ashmead PTA ("the charity") for the period 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Name: Anne Mackie

Signed: Anne Mackie

Date: 26/6/26