



LOCHINVER
HOUSE

Lochinver House School PTA

Charity Number: 1205835

Trustee Annual Report & Accounts
2024 - 2025

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Trustees Annual Report

Academic Year 2024-2025



Introduction from PTA Co-Chairs

The PTA committee stayed much the same for our second year in office. So, with a little more experience under our belts, we were able to get started quickly in September with our Macmillan coffee morning and then as the Christmas festivities began, we once again opened our Elfridges Christmas shop to pupils. 2024 culminated in the Christmas Fayre which was a fantastic afternoon and an incredibly successful fundraiser thanks in part to our very generous lead sponsor, JMB Design and Build. In the New Year we began working on the Family Bingo Night, followed by the Easter Egg Hunt and then we brought the academic year to a close with the Summer Fete.

This last year has been a very exciting one for the PTA. Not only watching all of the Lochinver families enjoy a host of successful PTA events, but also seeing the instalment of the new fixed apparatus in the central playground which was afforded through years of PTA fundraising. Seeing all of the boys enjoy the new climbing wall, outdoor toys, football tables, reflection garden and much more, has filled us all with pride. We are delighted to have been a small part in the efforts to provide such wonderful resources for all current and future pupils. Along with this we were also able to give over £12,000 from 2023-24 fundraising to the school for numerous items requested by the staff, which we hope will enrich the school life of our children and contribute to their successful education at Lochinver House.

All of the PTA's success would not be possible without the huge support from school staff and parents, giving generously of both their time and money. We are extremely grateful for this support and give our sincere thanks to you all. As most of us step down from our posts at the upcoming AGM, we would like to pass on our best wishes to the new LHS PTA committee and hope they enjoy being such an integral part of our wonderful school community.

Kirsty Hone and Kimberley Catherall

LHS PTA Co-Chairs



Fundraising achievement 2024-25

We are delighted to say that after a year of hard work we have raised £18,832 for our school. This is an incredible amount and we are so incredibly grateful for the generosity of all our Lochinver families and friends. We very much look forward to allocating these funds in the autumn, in order to continue supporting the school and contributing to the happiness of school life for all of the pupils.

Fundraising Activities

As mentioned above, one of the significant ways we support the school is through raising funds by running community events. Following is an outline of events that took place over the last year.

Elfridges

We were very excited for Elfridges to return for a second year running with even more tickets sold and festive and fun presents bought for loved ones. The festive season is one of joy and giving and this event really embodies that idea. The children are invited to a grotto, operated by parent volunteers, decorated in festive trappings and filled with gifts they can buy for their loved ones. It is an absolute pleasure to watch and help the children as they navigate their way through choosing the perfect gift. Each child spends time thinking about the people in their lives and the things that make them happy and unique before choosing a gift they feel embodied that loved one. Finishing with wrapping and bagging them up themselves and taking them home to be put aside for the holidays, although often in our experience quite a few are opened early!



Christmas Fayre

As the cold winter months set in there is nothing more lovely than creating a space filled with festive games and the smell of hot food and sugared treats. The school becomes a hive of light and warmth for all the children, with the finishing times staggered to allow our littlest students the space to enjoy the experience before the excited rush of the older children.

This year our summer sponsors, JMB Build and Design wanted to extend that generosity to the Christmas Fayre and it allowed us to hire some incredible games and rides for all ages, from mechanical reindeer rides to snowball catching experiences, amazing fun was had by all.

The PTA spend a lot of time sourcing and organising both the internal games, visiting sessions and the external gift and food stall holders. Really keeping in mind the spirit of the event and creating a space that is inclusive to all, some highlights included knocking the grinch off the chimney, Anna's Animals, churros and never forgetting Santas grotto, he's the real one by the way.

The whole event is one of light and joy and the perfect thing to brighten everyone's hearts and kick off the festive season.



Bingo

Garden gate, number 8! This event is a real chance for everyone to get together and have a fun evening, hosted by the school and the PTA. With our headmaster calling out the numbers and pizza being ordered for dinner, as well as a cheeky little beverage for those who wanted, the whole evening is one of excitement and enthusiasm. With multiple rounds of bingo, and a games and activity table to keep the younger ones busy there were certainly a lot of winners on the night. This, like all a lot of the PTA events, is about bringing the community together for some fun and reprieve in our often hectic lives and giving everyone the chance to let their hair down and make connections with those involved in their children's lives.

Easter Egg Hunt

Spring is always such an exciting time of year and this year was no different. The PTA host a delightful easter egg hunt every year and this year's theme was 'Minions'! There were bananas hidden all over the music field and the children had the pleasure of hunting them all down to discover the clues that would unlock their easter egg.

With a giant yellow minion greeting children on the field and volunteers and staff on hand to ensure the children were supported where necessary while also being given the opportunity for independent discovery it was a wonderful day. The younger students had the best time in the fresh air with their friends, dashing about and finding those pesky bananas, with their ultimate reward being able to choose their favourite Easter egg or festive treat. While the year 7 and 8 boys may have felt that a hunt was a little juvenile for them, spring treats and chocolate has no age boundaries! As such for those in the older years a selection of quizzes were prepared and handed out in form time to be completed and exchanged for delicious treats at the end of the school day.



Summer Fayre

With the sun shining and the smell of candyfloss in the air, Lochinver created the most delightful Summer Fayre this year. The whole day was an amazing success, with Lochinver parents and staff creating a BBQ that was worth a visit or five, face painting some incredible designs, operating exciting new stalls such as crockery smash and messy play spaces, and some time honoured favourites like preloved toys and sports tombola to name but a few.

We also had the pleasure of the whole school coming together to show case their talents, from the bands, to ensembles, the house singing competition and Lochinver's got talent, the school really does nurture talent in all its forms. The layout changes from last year returned allowing us time and space for some wonderful central arena displays and games. We were treated to an incredible display of talent from our taekwondo students, watching those little feet break the wood in half was really quite an incredible testament to the power of practice and determination.

This year the PE department also agreed to run the central area games, allowing those who were shy or who had other commitments to come forward in their own time and compete in the various classic games such as egg and spoon and three-legged races. The tug of war is always a favourite with the parents winning against the teachers for the first time in quite a few years! I'm sure they are all already in training to regain their title next year.

A huge amount of planning and thought goes into such an event both on the day and in the months leading up to the event from all involved. The event however is so worth all the time and thought put into it, to be in the sunshine and part of such an incredible community is something rather special.



Second Hand Uniform Sales

Once again, we thank Laura Weinburg and Victoria Polden for their ongoing support in the LHS Second Hand uniform store. The store is an invaluable resource to parents, providing an efficient way to purchase uniform items but also enabling families to buy necessary items at an affordable price. Thank you for all your effort and for once again raising money to support the work of the PTA.

Our Financial Donations to the School

In autumn 2024, it was our responsibility to approve spending from the funds raised in 2023-24. As per previous years, £5,000 of the funds raised were put aside in reserves, in order to support fundraising if expenses are incurred due to event cancellations. For example, if the summer fete were to be cancelled due to extreme bad weather. However, this money is also earmarked to go towards funding the Lochinver Ball that takes place every 5 years, in order to celebrate the anniversary of Lochinver House School. The next ball is due to take place in May 2027, and this event in itself is also a fantastic fundraiser for the PTA.

After £5,000 was put aside, this left us with a budget of £12,800 to spend. At the AGM in September, the staff presented the PTA with a wish list of things they would like this money to be spent on and after the list was passed to all PTA members and Class Reps for consultation, the final list was then approved in October 2024. We were delighted to be able to provide the school with some wonderful equipment, games and genuinely enriching experiences. These included new House Banners, Robotics equipment, a printing press, theatre lighting, a new sports hall curtain and a pantomime visit.

As mentioned above, we also had the pleasure of giving the school nearly £40,000 that had been raised by PTA committees over the last decade, in order to fund the changes to our central playground. This was a real honour and we thank all previous committee members for all of the hard work they put in to contribute toward that staggering amount of money.

The 2025-2026 PTA Team

Most of the current PTA team will be stepping away from the committee at the upcoming AGM. However, we are delighted to say that Kimberley Catherall will remain as a committee member in order to ensure a smooth transition. The 2025-26 PTA Team are:

Co-Chair Brenda Patterson Seager

Co-Chair Anthea Liveras

Treasurer Marta Gleeson

Secretary Stella Maroveli

Committee Members – Kimberley Catherall, Amanda Nartey, Carmelina Petrou, Salima Fajal Nanji

Lochinver House School PTA
Charity 1205835
School Year 24/25

Statement of Financial Activities for year ending August 31, 2025

	August 31, 2025 £	August 31, 2024 £
Fundraising Activities		
School Disco	0	249
Elfridges	1,030	1,025
Xmas Fayre	4,667	4,549
Xmas Cards	352	659
Bingo	984	1,388
Easter Egg Hunt	441	414
Summer Fayre	4,197	5,266
Uniform & Merchandise Sales	1,865	862
	<u>13,537</u>	<u>14,412</u>
Sponsorship		
JMB Design & Build	4,800	3,000
Other Income		
Interest income	680	159
Barclays Compensation	0	350
	<u>19,018</u>	<u>17,921</u>
Expenses		
Parentkind membership	(153)	(145)
Gambling licence	(20)	(20)
General expenses	(13)	0
	<u>(186)</u>	<u>(165)</u>
Net Income	<u><u>18,832</u></u>	<u><u>17,756</u></u>
Donations		
Donation to LHS	(52,483)	(11,000)
	<u>(33,651)</u>	<u>6,756</u>

Statement of Financial Position

	August 31, 2025	August 31, 2024	Note
	£	£	
Barclays Current 30613509	0	1,277	
Barclays Premium 30123277	0	0	
Barclays Premium 50744549	0	0	
Co-op Bank 67326895	8,195	11,906	
Co-op Bank 67326905	19,935	47,000	
Paypal	0	3,903	
Cash	4,584	2,279	
Total	32,714	66,365	1

1. Bank and Cash Reconciliation:

Balance as at Aug 31, 2024	66,365
Income from Fundraising Activities	18,832
Donation to LHS	(52,483)
Balance as at Aug 31, 2025	<u>32,715</u>

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

LOCHINVER HOUSE SCHOOL PTA

On accounts for the year
ended

31ST AUGUST, 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1205835

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2025

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

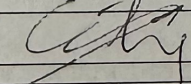
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have
come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

- 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:



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