



SPA Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians, welcome back, we hope you all had an amazing summer break!

A particularly warm welcome to the families who are new to the school. We wanted to share a quick update on last year's success and let you know about the many exciting events coming up this term.

The Autumn term is always a particularly busy time for the SPA and especially in the lead up to Christmas. Which is why we need all of YOU! Even if you can't commit to joining the SPA committee, we need lots of help with events, volunteers for stalls, donations for raffles, or to the uniform shed and of course attending events or buying those raffle tickets! Please keep an eye out in the school newsletter and via WhatsApp messages for more info and please help us where you can. **Your support is greatly appreciated!**

Last year was another fantastic year for the SPA - thanks to all of you, we raised an amazing £29,708!

As well as regular features such as educational workshops and funding the final phase of the introduction of Chromebooks, money raised last year contributed to the **fantastic new PlayPod system** that popped up in the playground over the holidays, as well as **new stage lighting and sound equipment** in the main hall.



As you probably remember, last term was hot!!! With temperatures regularly soaring over 30 degrees in some classrooms, we committed to using funds raised this year to **help fund the installation of an efficient and sustainable air con system.**

We have a lot planned for this year, and with your help we are hoping the first phase of air con will be in before next Summer.

Let's work together to make this school cool!

Events coming up this half term...

Come along to our **AGM at 8pm on Monday 5th October!** There will be a free welcome drink on arrival and a chance to find out more about how the SPA raised just shy of £30k last year and how that money is being used. Our monthly committee meeting will take place immediately afterwards, which all are also welcome to stay for. There's no pressure to sign up on the night but if you've always wondered what we get up to then please come along!

Disco time! Tickets will go on sale on Friday for the Autumn discos, which will be taking place on Thursday 15th October for YR and Y3/4 and Friday 16th October for Y1/2 and Y5/6. Please look out for full details via the WhatsApp groups. Further information and tickets are available at: pta-events.co.uk/williamransomspa

Please note, entry will be strictly by advance booking only and there will be no tickets on the door this time. Ticket sales close on Sunday 11th October.





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Other events coming up this term:



Secret Present Room - Friday 5th December
During the school day all children will get the opportunity to purchase gifts for their loved ones in the school hall, with stalls geared towards each member of the family and our SPR Elves on hand to wrap presents. Please look out for further information about donations.



Story Time with Santa - Friday 11th December
Santa will be paying a special visit to his pop-up grotto at the end of the school day. Children can enjoy a story and receive a gift.



12 Day of Christmas Raffle - Thanks to the fabulous prizes provided by parents/carers, the Christmas raffle was one of the biggest fundraisers last academic year. Can you help find some great raffle prizes this year? If you are able to help with a prize, please speak to any member of the SPA committee.



Santa's Sleigh tour - we're in talks with the elves to get Santa along to tour the streets around school in his Sleigh in early December. Further details to follow...

There are other ways you can help raise money too, including purchasing Stikins **name labels** for your child's clothes. The school can receive 30% commission on every order placed, quoting our school reference number 25434. Order via www.stikins.co.uk

Also, do you have a pile of unwanted clothes lurking in your house that you keep meaning to give away to charity...? You can deposit any pre-loved clothes and shoes (in a bag please) in the **clothes donation bank** located close to the uniform shed in the school car park.

The school will be paid per tonne of clothes collected, raising money for the benefit of all the children in school, all while helping you to declutter!

You can also raise money while you shop, at no cost to you, by registering at easyfundraising.co.uk.



In addition, Eleni and her fabulous team of volunteers continue to keep the incredible **uniform shed** running.

The current opening hours are:

Mondays: 8:50am - 9:20am
Tuesdays: 8:50am - 9:20am
Wednesdays: 8:50am - 9:20am + 2:30pm - 3:10pm
Thursdays: 8:50am - 9:20am* + 2:30pm - 3:10pm
Fridays: 8:50am - 9:20am

If you have any pre-loved uniform you would like to donate, please leave it in the box next to the shed.

(*Thursday morning opening will start from 24th September)



Thank you from us, AKA your SPA committee!

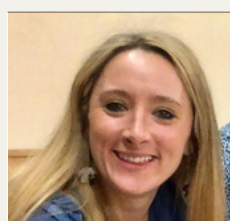
Secretary



Alle Bruce
Y5

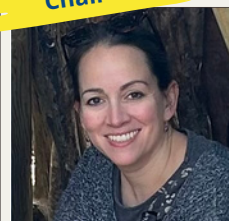


Amit Kalra
Y6

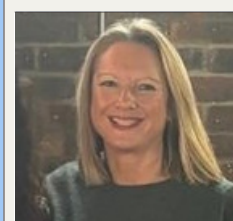


Amy Wells
Y4 / Y6

Chair



Ana Granger
Y3

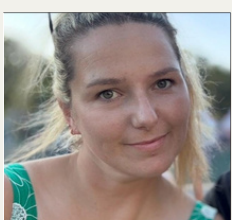


Angela Korman
Y6

Comms



Becky Poynton
YR / Y5

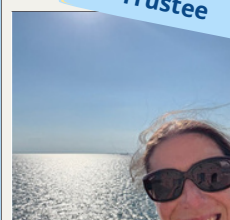


Carmen Briercliffe
YR / Y3

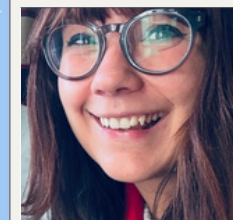


Catherine Leal-Bennett
Y2 / Y5

Trustee



Eleni Vardaki
Y5



Fabi Westcott
Y1

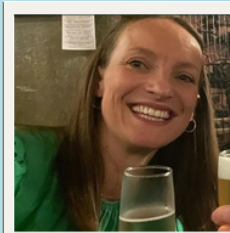
Trustee



Gemma Cante
Y1



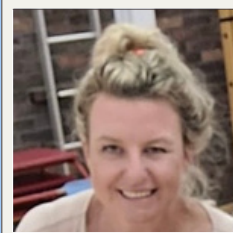
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Jackie Mileham
Y4

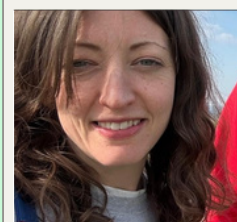


Jaz Miller
Y1



Lisa Bevan
Y2

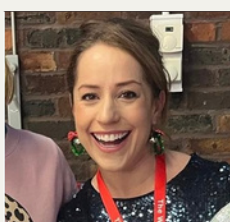
Treasurer Trustee



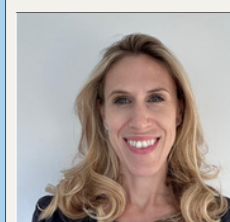
Madeleine Hunter
Y1 / Y3



Matt Chapman
Y2 / Y5



Mel Watson
Y1 / Y4



Sophie Adam
YR / Y3