

Worthington PTFA Chairperson's report April 2022 – March 2023

Charity Number: 1081451

Chairpersons Report

By April 2022 we were finally looking ahead to plans without the restrictions of Covid including a big celebration for the Queens Platinum Jubilee

We continued to run some of our successful events like the 3 film nights and the bingo. In addition, the monthly lottery which was new last year was repeated and continues to provide around £250. We also held two big raffles one at Christmas and one in the Summer to support the Platinum Jubilee event. At Christmas we also ran a Christmas trail but very few people attended. The trails were successful during covid but now seem to have run their course.

Other events included November 5th Bonfire at the pub where the PTFA organised a guy building competition. We also provided helpers and a Christmas Gift for the Christmas party which was run by the school this year.

Our biggest event was the Summer Picnic & Fete to Celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. This was a collaborative weekend organised by the PTFA, the village and the pub. The PTFA organised the Decorate your Houses Competition and were also key to the Picnic and Fete on Sunday 5th June. On Saturday the weather forecast looked bad, so we got together with other helpers to find and erect a large number of tents and gazebos. It did rain but not as much as expected and it was a fantastic event with fancy dress competitions, fun races like egg and spoon, music, a raffle, a massive tombola, cake stall and the attendance of Queen Elizabeth 1st & 2nd and Queen Victoria.

We were pleased to receive a donation from the Arnold Clark Community Fund which was used to support the cost of organising the event and to provide every child with a Jubilee Souvenir. In total we raised over £1000 from the Picnic & Fete as well as delivering a fantastic day

This year we raised £3385 in total. £2035 was raised from the events we organised, and we received grants from Staunton Harold and Arnold Clark Community Fund of £1350.

Over £3000 was donated to the school for several activities and purchases. The most significant were the new sound system (£382), development of the sensory garden (£750) and support for coach trips to the pantomime at Christmas and other events. (+ £1000)

All that remains is for us to say thank you to everyone for your support and hard work.

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May 2023

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