



# Parent Post 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019



## ATTENDANCE

R Mozart- 99.3%	R O'Connor- 93.6 %	Y1 Mistral- 97.3%	Y1 Stein- 96.7%
Y2 Pasteur- 93.7%	Y2 More – 94.3%	Y3 Hildegard – 96.7%	Y3 Seacole – 97.6%
Y4 Bonifacio – 98%	Y4 Michelangelo- 95.3%	Y5 Agnesi- 95.3%	Y5 Teresa-97.3%
Y6 Shakespeare- 96.3%	<b>Y6 Tolkien- 99.7%</b>		

**Well done to Y6 Tolkien with the best attendance...and Reception Mozart close behind!**

### St Vincent de Paul PSA AGM

*Full minutes and financial report sent via Parentmail*

### **ELECTIONS WERE HELD FOR OUR NEW COMMITTEE**

**Chair-** Sheree McCarthy *Proposed – Liz Marshall Seconded - Alayah Chowdhury*

**Vice-Chair-** Monica Romero and Gary Bullock

*Proposed – Sheree McCarthy Seconded - Liz Marshall*

**Treasurer-** Laura Sansom *Proposed – Gill Philpotts Seconded – Gary Bullock*

**Secretary –** Alayah Chowdhury and Jo Anderson *Proposed – Sheree McCarthy Seconded - Gary Bullock*

**Mr White** opened the meeting by offering enormous thanks to the committee. He explained that we are the 15<sup>th</sup> lowest funded primary in Hertfordshire which is presenting a huge financial challenge to the school. This means that, *for the foreseeable future, the funds from the PSA will not be for luxuries but for essentials for the school.* Mr White has met with Mr Stephen McPartland, our local MP, who is supporting us in endeavouring to source maximum funding. *Consequently, the hard work of the committee is ever more important.* The team cannot be thanked enough for all they have done, and *it is regrettable that funds will be used for basics in the face of the funding crisis.*

Funds have helped with phonics and Maths resources, repairs to iPad and IT equipment. School is trying to be as creative as possible with parents' hard-earned funds. **The governors** wish to pass on their thanks to the committee as they strategically plan to resource the best education for all the children. ***It was noted that any links through families with companies that have charitable funds would be an additional funding source and it is hoped that this is one area that can be explored in the coming year.***

**Sheree McCarthy, Chair,** reported that it had been a very successful and rewarding year. Gratitude was extended to the whole team for their support and hard work and, in particular, **our retiring Treasurer, Gill Philpotts.** It had been a challenge to raise additional volunteer help but perhaps work towards specific targets/purchases may motivate families to help more. It is hoped to include further events this year and try out the Summer Fair at the weekend. **Freeze Fridays** were a welcome innovation and popular. **EasyFundraising** is an easy way of generating income greater promotion of this online shopping facility could muster more support. **Sponsorship** from Everbrite Windows & Doors (Harlow) provided new football kits for both the boys' and girls' football teams and **any other sponsorship would be most welcome via families and their businesses.**

### Financial Report Treasurer Gill Philpotts

The highlights of the financial returns were shared and discussed. Total revenue generated since the last AGM is £15,606.95 and a list of resources that were funded through the profit of £10,000 were itemized. The financial summary for the year was distributed and will be sent by Parentmail with this ParentPost.

**THANK YOU SO MUCH TO ALL THE FAMILIES AND STAFF WHO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF EVENTS AND RAISING SO MUCH FOR OUR CHILDREN'S LEARNING**

"We are called to be the hands and face of Jesus as we learn, love and grow together"