

PHPA AGM Chairman's Report 27th April 2010

Welcome to our 2010 AGM.

Events in this academic year included:

- Junior School Macmillan coffee morning in September. It was very well attended and we raised £141 for cancer research.
- Bonfire night, usually our biggest fundraiser, was unfortunately less profitable this year, although still worthwhile as we raised £98.
- Once again, we did well with the bottle tombola at the Christmas fair, raising £214 for school causes. We also embarked on a new venture of a quiz sheet which we sold at the Christmas fair.
- Other profitable fund raisers have been the Bag 2 school collections and the mobile phone recycling. Both were very well supported. We have now decided to change our recycling partnership to the Fire fighter charity. This means not only do we raise funds for the school but 20% of the total is matched by Beaumont's Recycling for the charity.
- Our most recent event was a dance mat competition in the Junior School prior to Easter holidays. 26 children attended and we made a profit of £49. Thanks to Sharon Shrove for providing all the equipment at no cost to the Association.

The Association continued to support the School:

- £1500 towards the purchase of the new Trampoline for use by the whole school. This has been well received by the girls.
- We have purchased a number of items for the school since September. These include the Dolls House for the Foundation years, Photoshop software for the Art department, Camcorders for both the Junior and Senior Schools and CD Audio Recording Equipment for EFL Department.

Forthcoming events include:

- The food festival in June.
- The Numbers Club

I would like to thank:

- All the members of the PHPA, both staff and parents, for their continued support over the past year – for giving up their free time to attend meetings and to organise and run events.
- Mrs Helen Worthing who has been my Vice chair for the past year and is standing down from this post.
- Mrs Angela Elliott and Mr David Bell who have helped and supported me during my time as chair.

The new autumn term will see many changes at Polam Hall with the Junior School becoming co-educational and the relocation of Hurworth House Senior School marking the launch of the Diamond School. I am standing down at this meeting not only as Chairman but from the Parents Association. I would like to wish the Association well and thank everyone for the last 8½ years on the Association.

Michelle Mitchell
Chairman.