



Thursday 19th October 2023

Dear BSA members (all parents and carers),

In the words of my son: "Mum, Dad, do you know?"

The BSA (Brighstone School Association) raised almost £10,000 to support our children's activities this year.

This money was used in a variety of ways, from providing Easter eggs at Easter, to assisting with the cost of school trips, to helping to replace equipment (e.g. the trim trail on the school field) as well as activities that enhances their school experience, including after school social events (e.g. school disco). A more detailed list can be seen at the bottom of this page.

As is usual in these areas, a few people take the lead and ensure that these fund-raising events and other activities go ahead. I would like to extend a big thank you to all those who have organised and helped out at these events, as well as a huge thank you to Katherine, Franki and Sarah for their hard work and dedication in their roles as chair, secretary and treasurer.

"Mum, Dad, do you know?" everyone whose child attends Brighstone Primary School is a member of the BSA.

"Mum, Dad, do you know?" that these last two years this responsibility has been mainly undertaken by around 10% of the possible members.

This year I am hoping to encourage everyone to play their part in fund raising. We all know it is easier to help at an event rather than plan it, but someone needs to! Many say that they are no good at organising things... I say you can, you do – every day you get your children to school. Ask anyone without children to do that!

We have a core of 8 or 9 events which run each year and we need your help in organising them.

I propose that there is a small group to organise each event. Unfortunately, if we are unable to get the support then the events will not be able to happen, which will have a knock-on effect on our children.

Below is a list of our events; I hope you will indicate the one(s) you are willing to help organise. Katherine, in her position as Chair for the last two years, has written the risk assessments for these events and has kept good records of what we need to run these events, so a lot of the administrative hard work is already complete (thank you!). Records that have been in place may just need updating according to any recent legislation or context.

The BSA has a formal structure with a minimum of chair and treasurer. These posts have been filled by me and Sarah Cartmell (thank you for agreeing to remain in post), and Jenny Courtney has agreed to be the secretary. The members who attended the AGM have also agreed to be on the "BSA committee". Everyone is invited to be on the committee and/or attend the planning meetings. Meetings are to organise and support each event; the more that attend in person or via Zoom, the less everyone has to do. Please contact the BSA at the email below to indicate which events you will be willing and able to help organise. If we have one person from each family volunteer, and 10 events, it will mean that we could average seven in each team that would only have to organise one event per year.

The next event, the end of term pumpkin carving competition and disco, has been organised by Jenny Courtney and her team.

"Mum, Dad, do you know?"

The next BSA meeting is scheduled for the 13th November at 19.30 at the school.



The agenda will be to discuss the positive response from the volunteers and plan the Christmas activities.

The BSA email address is brighstoneschoolassoc@gmail.com

If anyone would like to know more, please speak to me at the school gate or call me on 07711692030

Regards,

Richard Palmer (Chairman)

The events are:

Round the Island Relay Running Race

End of term disco and pumpkin competition (October)

Christmas

Mothers' Day

Easter

Afternoon teas x2

Wolverton Folk and Blues Fair tea tent

Summer Sizzler

Fathers' Day

Spring plant sale bring and buy

BRIGHSTONE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2022/2023

INCOME

EXPENDITURE

BALANCE



1	Misc	£178.16		£274.04	-£95.88
2	Round the Island Race	£849.31		£11.99	£837.32
3	Halloween	£123.61		£132.89	-£9.28
4	Christmas	£1,848.15		£548.75	£1,299.40
5	Lottery	£383.60		£0.00	£383.60
6	Mothers Day	£126.30		£55.00	£71.30
7	Easter	£0.00		£107.75	-£107.75
8	Northcourt Teas	£1,299.01		£113.81	£1,185.20
9	Pre Loved uniform	£136.65		£0.00	£136.65
10	Astra	£299.55		£0.00	£299.55
11	Wolverton	£3,426.84		£1,381.03	£2,045.81
12	Trips and School Donations	£0.00		£5,115.20	-£5,115.20
13	Hoodies/Tshirts	£0.00		£374.70	-£374.70
14	Summer Sizzler	£976.61		£730.76	£245.85
15	Parent Kind	£0.00		£140.00	-£140.00
16	Fathers Day	£99.96		£65.37	£34.59
		£9,747.75		£9,051.29	£696.46