



Beckers Green PTA Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 30th September 2025 at 3.20pm

Present: Clare Snelson (Chair) Rosie Hatchman
Sam Pingram Laura Verdejo-Roberts
Clare Hanlon Marta Malek
Kris Ingram Isabella Donati
Finbarr Anderson-Ricketts

Apologies: None

Welcome

Clare welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Previous AGM Meeting Minutes

The AGM meeting minutes from 30th September 2024 were approved.

Chairs Report

Clare took us through the Chairs report (see report below).

Treasurer Report

Report below. Bank balance as of 31st August 2025 was £9608.16. No funds allocated for events or other expenditures in the upcoming financial year. Total profit for 2024/2025 was £7660.96 which was an increase of £1846 on the previous year.

Election of Officers

All official members step down annually, and elections are held to fill those positions.

Role	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded	Voted
Chair	Clare Snelson	Alan Snelson	Rosie Hatchman	Carried
Secretary	Isabella Donati	Clare Hanlon	Sam Pingram	Carried
Treasurer	Zoe Di Paola	Clare Snelson	Sam Pingram	Carried
Trustees	Rosie Hatchman Sam Pingram	Clare Snelson	Clare Hanlon	Carried

Clare thanked everyone again for attending and the AGM finished at 3.45pm.

PTA Chair Report Annual AGM Tuesday 30th September

Welcome

Thank you for joining me at this year's AGM. It has been a busy year for the PTA, and I am delighted to share with you what we've achieved.

Our Objectives

The purpose of the PTA is to bring our school community together and to make school life even better for our children. We do this by:

- Running fun events and activities for our school children and families.
- Raising money to provide extra opportunities, resources, equipment and experiences in school.

All parents, carers, and staff are automatically members of the PTA, and anyone from the school community Grandparents, uncles, aunties, older siblings etc are welcome to volunteer their time and skills. Our PTA is a registered charity, and we follow the Parentkind constitution to ensure transparency and accountability.

Our Committee

We have an elected committee who manage the PTA's day-to-day work:

- Chair – Clare Snelson
- Secretary – position not filled
- Treasurer – Zoe Di Paola

The AGM is our only formal meeting of the year, covering committee elections and the Treasurer's annual financial report. Spending decisions are considered via Mrs Smyth, and trustees then vote on whether to fund requests.

Thank You

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed to the PTA this past year.

- To Zoe, our Treasurer – for her incredible support and work behind the scenes, often unseen but absolutely vital. Although deciding to reduce the events until we increased our volunteer base, we introduced 9 new events last year, increasing Zoe's workload tremendously.
- To Miss Hatchman – who joined as a trustee last year and has been incredibly supportive in my first year as Chair. Rosie's contributions have really made my PTA life easier, and I'm so grateful for her help.
- To Mrs Smyth, teachers, LSAs, and school staff – who support us by giving up their time to volunteer at our events. Our larger events simply wouldn't be possible without their help, as we don't have enough volunteers from our school community to run them.
- To our amazing parent volunteers – who give their time to run stalls, donate items, create hampers, set up events, and much more. None of what we do would be possible without you.
- To local businesses – for their generous donations, which we've acknowledged by email and on social media where possible.

Fundraising Highlights

Thanks to everyone's generosity and support, we raised an impressive amount through a mix of new and established events:

- **Donations:** We received very generous donations from parents and local businesses totalling **£2,217.03**. These helped reduce the costs of school trips, support Christmas at Beckers Green (Santa presents and Christmas dinner), and fund new playground equipment including a garden igloo. Of this, **£1,045.39** was given specifically to support families by maintaining food bank stocks and providing uniform and other items. This fund is managed by Mrs Smyth to ensure it is best allocated.
- **Christmas Raffle:** Raised an incredible **£1,011.12**.
- **Colour Run & Summer Raffle:** Instead of a summer fete this year, we introduced a brand-new **Colour Run**, which was a free event for all Beckers Green children. Local businesses kindly donated to cover the cost of the coloured powder, ensuring every child could take part for free. Together with the summer raffle, these raised **£1,420.87**.
- **Easter Eggstravaganza & Raffle:** A favourite in the school calendar, this raised **£1,172.64**.
- **Inflatable Event:** A popular addition, raising **£1,065.62**.
- **World Book Day book & costume sales:** We ran a second-hand book and costume sale using only donated items. The response was fantastic, so we held two sales (March and July), which together raised **£337.21**.
- **Wreath-making workshop:** Our adult-only fundraising event this year was a festive wreath-making session, which raised **£186.66**.
- **Easyfundraising:** This generated **£263.40** – an increase of £86.51 from the previous year. It's a great way to raise money without extra cost to parents, though it does need regular promotion as only a handful of people are using it.
- **Your School Lottery:** Since signing up at the beginning of 2025, this has brought in **£404.60**, which is incredible as we currently only have 15 people who have brought weekly tickets.

Key Spending

This year, funds raised were used to provide resources that directly benefit the children:

- £4,180 – playhouse/tower/slide for the playground (50% of the total cost)
- £1,110.33 – garden igloo dome, games, and resources requested by playground leaders
- £374.12 – new books
- £350.96 – contributions to reduce the cost of school trips
- £3,120.05 – school resources, including Art, DT, Maths, and Science

A full Treasurer's report accompanies this summary.

Looking Ahead

It has been fantastic to see how much we can achieve when our community comes

together. I hope that over the coming year we will continue to grow our team of volunteers and build on our successes.

Thank you again for your support and commitment to the PTA.

Best wishes,
Clare Snelson
Chair

Beckers Green School Association

Treasurer's Annual Report 2024/2025

This report is for the financial year from 1st September 2024 to 31st August 2025.

Opening Balance

We started the financial year with £11467.67 (£11466.67 in the bank & £1 petty cash).

Income

The total profit this year was £7660.96. The sources of income were:

	Income	Expenses	Profit
EYFS Nativity: Photo & Refreshment Sales	£143.51		£143.51
Bracelet Making Craft Hour	£91.63	£13.64	£77.99
Christmas Craft Hour	£232.65	£113.45	£119.20
Christmas Raffle	£1,075.48	£64.36	£1,011.12
Christmas Stall at Christmas Raffle Draw	£139.83	£101.45	£38.38
Colour Run	£1,526.27	£691.83	£834.44
Colour Run Raffle	£602.08	£15.65	£586.43
Easter Eggstravaganza	£765.47	£250.76	£514.71
Easter Eggstravaganza Raffle	£675.94	£18.01	£657.93
Inflatable Day	£1,289.45	£223.83	£1,065.62
Marvellous Men	£48.98	£53.45	-£4.47
Pumpkin Carving Competition	£118.59	£43.17	£75.42
School Disco Autumn	£566.32	£38.75	£527.57
Summer Disco	£557.55	£43.80	£513.75
Valentine Day Colouring Competition	£31.00		£31.00
Wonderful Women Bracelet Making	£128.70	£51.33	£77.37
World Book Day: Book & Costume Sale	£337.21		£337.21
Wreath Making	£626.66	£440.00	£186.66
Year 3 & 4 Production: Refreshments & Photo Sales	£101.13	£30.10	£71.03
My Child's Art Commission	£146.64	£18.55	£128.09
Easy Fundraising Commission	£263.40		£263.40
School Lottery	£404.60		£404.60
	£9,873.09	£2,212.13	£7,660.96

Donations

We received £2217.03 in donations. Some of these donations were for specific events/items:

- Christmas 2024 at Beckers Green	£384.61
- Garden Igloo Dome & Playleader Equipment	£513.21
- School Trips	£191.81
- Child/Family Support (to be used by Mrs Smyth only)	£1,045.39

Costs Incurred

In addition to expenses as indicated above, other costs incurred totalled £183.44, these included:

- Parentkind Membership Fee	£153.00
- PTA Resources (advert banners £80.96 & information station supplies £11.98 + sold BBQ £55.55 & popcorn machine £30)	£7.39
- Prizes for Christmas baulble event	£23.05

Support for the School

In addition to significant voluntary time and the community benefits of our events, a total of £10026.51 has been provided to the School from PTA funds as follows:

- Author Visit	£120.00
- Christmas 2024 at Beckers	£384.61
- Garden Igloo Dome & Playleader Equipment	£1,176.30
- Trips	£350.96
- Ice Poles for all Children after Sports Day	£24.00
- School Supplies/Support: Books	£374.12
- School Supplies/Support: DT Resources	£100.00
- School Supplies/Support: Guinea Pig Outdoor Run	£79.99
- School Supplies/Support: Lost Property Cupboard	£72.97
- School Supplies/Support: Maths Resources	£49.11
- School Supplies/Support: Play House/Tower/Slide	£4,180.00

- School Supplies/Support: School Resources	£2,706.31
- School Supplies/Support: Science Resources	£264.63
- School Supplies/Support: EYFS Supplies	£143.51

The PTA has also spent £930.82 using some of the money donated for child/family support this year (which includes £127.86 on breakfast food, £350 on the scooter initiative, £342.96 on the wellie store, £70 on winter coats & £40 on leavers hoodies)

Overall Position

We began the financial year with a balance of £11,467.67 and closed it with a total of £9,608.16, comprising £9,093.91 in the bank and £514.25 in petty cash, with no funds allocated for events or other expenditures in the upcoming financial year.

Restricted Balances to be Carried Forward for Academic Year 2025/2026:

- Trips	£630.96
- Child/Family Support (to be used by Mrs Smyth only)	£1,830.69

Amounts Allocated for Academic Year 2025/2026:

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Purchases made in 2024/2025 for 2025/2026

- Supplies already purchased for future PTA event	£104.00
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- **Teacher Christmas T-shirt Competition** – CS to investigate.
- **Children wreath making** – using pompoms - SP to investigate.
- **Christmas Event** – possible date *Friday 12th December*. A separate meeting will be arranged to brainstorm ideas.

Other Items Discussed

- More PTA helpers needed who can take card payments at events via the SumUp app.
- ParentKind offers Virtual GP appointments for PTA volunteers.
- Increase efforts to secure sponsorship for events.

Future Funding Priorities

Following discussions with Mrs Smyth, several areas were identified where PTA contributions could make a difference:

- Support for school trips
- Science and DT materials
- Enrichment and experience opportunities
- Copse area improvements
- Pond area development

Next PTA Meeting – *date to be confirmed*

If you have any questions about the PTA or would like to find out how you can help, please email CSnelson@beckersgreen.essex.sch.uk, pop into the office and leave a message or catch me in the playground.