

HURSTHEAD INFANT SCHOOL PARENT/STAFF ASSOCIATION Charity Reg. No 1043714

# Hursthead Infant School PSA

## What does the PSA (Parent/Staff Association) do?

The PSA has two simple aims: support the children and their education by raising funds for Hursthead Infant School and organise fun, entertaining events for them and their families.

#### How do the PSA do this?

There is a core committee of volunteer parents who organises and plans events but **everyone at school is automatically a member of the PSA**. The committee, supported by Mrs Driscoll in the role of President, consists of Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary with additional general members. Anyone is welcome to join the committee.

#### What are the funds used for?

Funds are currently being raised for the scooter/bike racks being built outside class 1. Previously funds have been used for educational visitors, to develop outside learning and play areas, to maintain modern foreign language provision and to replenish core reading books used by the school.

## I don't want to join the committee! Is there anything I can do to help?

Absolutely! There are lots of different ways you can help and get involved ...

#### Join in with the fun events.

Yes, it really can be that simple. Just sign up or buy a ticket and get involved when events are launched. Some of the events are just for the children and some are for all the family.

## Keep your eyes peeled for calls to help with specific jobs.

Extra pairs of hands can often be needed for all sort of different reasons. Help can include wrapping gifts, setting out or tidying up chairs and tables, helping to run tuck shops and stalls at fairs amongst many other varied jobs. Many hands make light work!

#### Come to a PSA meeting.

The PSA holds three or four full school meetings a year plus the AGM to which everyone is invited and welcome to attend. Come and find out what is going on, if any help is needed and share any ideas you might have. New fundraising ideas are always welcome and attending does not mean you will end up with jobs!

#### Join the army of class reps.

Each class has two representatives that help the PSA to communicate with the wider school community. Class reps send on messages via the class WhatsApp groups, organise volunteers when required and encourage their classes to get involved in whatever way they can.

#### Join the PSA Committee.

The Committee is a friendly group who meet regularly to plan events and make sure everything is running smoothly.

To contact the PSA you can email **hurstheadinfantpsa@gmail.com**, join the closed group on **Facebook** or post a message in the **letterbox**, by the noticeboard in the playground.

The most important message from the PSA ... join in when you can and have fun!