

# FRIENDS OF WHITBY HEATH SCHOOL

Registered Charity Number: 1103760



## Chair's Annual Report 2023/24

I am honoured to present the Chair's Report for the Annual General Meeting of Friends of Whitby Heath. 2023/2024 has been a year of adaptability, persistence, and accomplishment for our small yet dedicated PTA. Despite challenges, it has made significant strides in supporting our school community, fostering a spirit of collaboration and engagement, and enriching the experiences of our children. I want to take this opportunity to reflect on our accomplishments and the future of our PTA.

### **Achievements and Highlights:**

**Fundraising Initiatives:** Through our collective efforts, we have successfully raised funds for transportation for school trips, contributing to the betterment of our school and enhancing learning for our children.

**Engagement:** Despite our size, our PTA has engaged parents, teachers, and the wider community and maintained a strong presence within the school. Our efforts in organising events create a warm and supportive atmosphere, fostering a sense of community spirit.

**Acknowledgements:** I extend my sincere gratitude to the dedicated members of our PTA, the school staff, parents, and volunteers who devoted their time and energy. Together, we have achieved remarkable things through fundraising events, community engagements, and invaluable assistance to the school. Your commitment and tireless efforts have made a significant difference in enhancing our children's educational experience.

**Looking Forward:** As we move forward into the new year, please let us continue to work together, focusing on initiatives that will further strengthen and support our school community and provide enhanced opportunities and a nurturing environment where every child can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

**New Leadership:** Our PTA must embrace new leadership as the academic year progresses. As your newly appointed PTA committee, we will vote on the nominated individuals to fill the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary positions.

### **Roles and Responsibilities:**

- **Chair:** Facilitate meetings, guide the PTA's direction, and foster collaboration among members and the school community.
- **Vice Chair:** This position deputies for the Chair when necessary and helps ensure that the Committee and all events continue running smoothly. As with the Chair, leadership, enthusiasm, and energy are necessary qualities for this post.
- **Treasurer:** Manage finances, oversee budgets, and maintain transparent financial records for the benefit of our school.
- **Secretary:** Maintain accurate records of meetings, handle correspondence, and support the administrative tasks vital to our PTA's functioning.

**Call for Volunteers:** I welcome all members present today to consider taking up crucial roles within the PTA and encourage anyone willing to contribute their time, skills, and passion to our school community to step forward. Roles always need filling; your involvement will ensure the continuity and growth of our PTA's activities.

**Conclusion:** I am proud of what our small PTA has achieved in 2023/2024. I thank everyone for their involvement, enthusiasm, and dedication. Together, we have positively impacted the lives of our children and the school community. I am confident that our PTA will continue to flourish.