



Children are at the centre of everything we do

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Dear Parents/carers

Greenway Primary and Nursery School needs YOU!

Parents that attended the GSA AGM earlier this term will know that our current co-Chairs - Megan Bartholomew and Becky Barker are stepping down from this role at Christmas. They both have worked extremely hard in this role, are passionate in raising much needed funds for the school and have led the GSA admirably over their tenure. We thank them for their commitment and time.

The GSA play a pivotal role in raising funds for the school and it enables parents to get to know each other, while planning a wide ranges of events for the families at Greenway. However, if parents do not put themselves forward to take this role on (as Chair or co-Chairs of GSA), then this committee will cease to exist and a vital part of the school community will be lost.

Therefore, I am urging all of you to take time to think about whether you could take this role on by yourself or with another! You will be supported and not left on your own. If you are interested, please do get in contact with Megan/Becky at GSA@greenway.herts.sch.uk or me at head@greenway.herts.sch.uk.

The co-Chairs, Chair and Vice Chair of the school's governing body and I have met to review the GSA constitution. Over the years the Chairs of the GSA have worked with the senior leadership team of the school to ensure that the school priorities are supported. With personnel changing in January we all felt that this would be an excellent time to review and confirm a re-set of the GSA and ensure that the GSA are emboldened even further to work with the school and GB to understand and support school priorities in what is an ever-more constrained financial landscape.

I thought it would be helpful to share with you the purpose and objectives of the Greenway School Association (GSA).

The object of the GSA is to advance the education of pupils in the school. In the furtherance of this object the GSA will:

- a) Develop and maintain effective relationships between staff, parents/carers/guardians and others associated with the school;
- b) Engage in activities which support the school and advance the education of the pupils attending it; and
- c) Provide facilities or equipment for education at school as the committee in consultation with the governing body shall from time to time determine.

I hope you agree that the GSA is currently a vital part of our school community and one that none of us would want to cease to exist.

Thank you for taking time to read this letter and considering if you can be of any help. If you think you support and step up to the role of chairing the GSA please do contact Megan/Becky on GSA@greenway.herts.sch.uk or you can contact me at head@greenway.herts.sch.uk.

Regards
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