COOPERS LANE PTA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2026
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Coopers Lane Primary School, Pragnell Road SE12 0LF

Chair's Report

About Coopers Lane PTA

Coopers Lane PTA is a registered charity run entirely by volunteer parents and school staff, working together to raise funds and provide additional support for Coopers Lane Primary School. Our aim is to enrich the educational experience of our children while bringing families, staff and the wider school community together.

Throughout the school year, we organise a variety of fundraising events and activities. Every penny raised goes directly back into the school, helping to support the development, learning and wellbeing of our children, as well as providing additional resources for staff.

The funds we raise help make things possible that the school's usual budget may not stretch to cover.

This year the PTA has been able to support school by paying for:

- New large storage shed in the KS1 playground to store playground equipment
- Rhino Readers books
- New sound system in the KS1 Hall
- Queue barriers
- Play Dough
- Year 6, Graduation books
- Playground equipment
- Equipment for school recordings
- Stage microphone

At the heart of the PTA are our incredible volunteers. Parents and staff generously give their time, energy and skills throughout the year to organise events, support fundraising activities

and keep the PTA running. Every volunteer brings something unique, and together we share a common passion for making a positive and lasting difference to our school.

Acknowledgements and Thanks

Officers

• Chair: Nareen Thompson

• Treasurer: Bawani Nadarajah

• Secretary: Lawra Shinn

Trustee

• Rachel West

• Farrah Walton

• Francesca Resenterra-Kirby

• Cushla Amodu

• Paulina Novac

• Jessica Jones

Thank you for the time, dedication and hard work you have given to the PTA. Being part of a PTA committee requires commitment, patience and a willingness to give up personal time for the benefit of the school community. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Sincere thank you to the wider school community. To every parent, carer, teacher, member of staff, volunteer, local business and supporter who has donated, attended an event, purchased something, helped with a stall or simply spread the word, thank you.

Your support genuinely makes a difference. We could not have achieved what we have without you.

PTA Events and Fundraising Activities

Throughout the year, we have organised and supported a variety of events and fundraising initiatives, including:

Christmas Raffle

World Book Day costume and sweet treat sale

Christmas Jumper Day and sweet treat sale

Hooper Bars sale

PTA Quiz Night

Bingo Night

Leavers' Hoodies

Varsity Jacket sales, with the introduction of a pre-order system to make the process smoother and more efficient for parents.

Uniform Shop, continuing to provide families with access to affordable pre-loved school uniform.

Stalls at the local Library Summer Event and Ringway Centre Summer Event, helping us extend our fundraising and engagement beyond the school gates.

We have also made improvements to PE shirts by sourcing a new supplier for PE shirts, providing a more cost-effective and improved quality product.

Summer Fair

The Summer Fair was one of the highlights of the PTA calendar and a fantastic opportunity to bring our school community together.

We were particularly pleased with the very short entry queue, helping families get into the fair quickly and enjoy the activities without unnecessary waiting.

A huge thank you goes to the teachers and all the supporters who volunteered their time, energy and enthusiasm to make the Summer Fair such a success. Events of this scale take a considerable amount of planning and teamwork, and we are incredibly grateful to everyone who played a part.

Looking Ahead

As we look ahead, our focus remains on strengthening the PTA, encouraging more parents and carers to get involved, more wider community involvement and fundraising opportunities and continuing to create enjoyable events and fundraising opportunities that benefit our children and the wider school.

The PTA is only as strong as the community behind it, and we would love to see more people getting involved, whether that means joining the committee, volunteering at an event or helping in small ways throughout the year.

Every contribution, no matter how big or small, makes a difference.

Thank you for your continued support, generosity and commitment to wonderful our school community.