

## The Future of the School Association

We will be holding our next Annual General Meeting in October 2018 and several positions will become available as these parents have children either leaving the school or have been on the committee for several years and feel it is now time to hand over the reins to new people with fresh ideas and enthusiasm.

In order to keep the committee going, we need more volunteers to start to come forward as soon as possible to ease the transition period. If we do not fill the following roles, then the School Association will have to close as it will not be able to run constitutionally.

The roles that we are looking to fill are:

- Chairperson
- Vice Chair
- Secretary

Each of the above roles can be shared, so they do not necessarily have to be filled by one person (ie Chair and Vice-Chair).

### **What happens if the SA closes?**

***There will be no events for the children to go along to such as Discos, Film Nights, End of Year Party and Christmas and Summer Fayres.***

***There will be no additional funding for the school to purchase resources and also help towards the cost of school trips. Over the years, the SA has fundraised for many items that your children still currently use, such as the playhouse in Maple's outside area, interactive screens in the classrooms, Reading Diaries, Reading Raffle Books...to name but a few. Even some of the tables and chairs in the classrooms have been funded by the SA over the years.***

Last year, for example, we spent £8,548.57 on various items. The full list of what the money raised was spent on and the amount raised against each event can be found on the following webpage:

[www.chestertonprimaryschool.org.uk/schoolAssociation\\_05\\_total.php](http://www.chestertonprimaryschool.org.uk/schoolAssociation_05_total.php)

I personally will be deeply saddened if the SA closes, as it really has benefited the school for many years and brings the children, parents, grandparents and community together. I feel that all the children also benefit from the funds raised as they are fairly distributed throughout the school.

If you would like to discuss any of the above roles, then job descriptions can be found on the School Association link on the School Website under the 'About' Tab or please feel free to speak to one of the Committee Members or email [chestertonschoolassociation@gmail.com](mailto:chestertonschoolassociation@gmail.com).

**Or please feel free to join us at the next Committee Meeting on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 3.30pm in Beech Class**

Yours,

Laura Summers (School Association Chair)