

# The Huddle

An update from The Westgate School Parent & Staff Association (PSA)



Spring 2023

## Welcome to the first edition of our new PSA newsletter, The Huddle.

In this termly newsletter, we will share updates on:

- Fundraising
- Where the money goes
- Ways you can support the PSA
- Events and other dates for your diaries

Have a happy Easter break, Your PSA team

### The PSA Committee

- Charlie Damant, Co-Chair
- Ros Priddle, Co-Chair
- Aysha Day, Vice-Chair
- Kate Brook, Treasurer
- Vicky Garfitt & Jenny Harvie, Comms
- Vicky Garfitt, Events & Lottery Administrator
- Jenny Harvie & Chris Storey, Website
- Helen Howell, Second-hand uniform

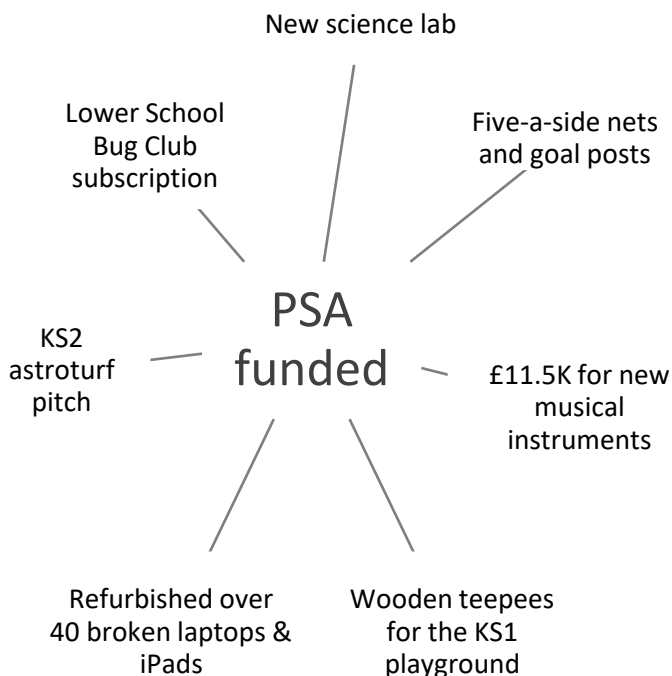
## Why does the PSA raise money?

The Department of Education budgets are having to be spread ever-thinly. As parents and staff, we all want the best for our children's learning, experiences and wider opportunities at school.

Through donations and fundraising, we have not only provided entertainment through fairs and quizzes, but also funded numerous projects throughout the school community.

As well as:

- matching the funds raised by Y11 pupils (up to £250) to help with their prom
- funding prizes for the All-Through Annual Awards Evening, which recognises pupils that really stand out in terms of their contribution to the school
- contributing towards around 80 Y9, 10 & 11 prefect ties
- Funding whole-school cathedral events and much more...



# The future of the PSA – could it be you?

The PSA is run by parent and staff volunteers and **we are actively seeking new members**. Do you have accounts experience? Do you have lots of ideas? Do you know your way around social media? Do you enjoy organising events? Are you a do-er who can bring ideas to life?

Please consider supporting the school and your children by giving some of your time. For more information email

[comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk](mailto:comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk) or come along to our next AGM on **Tuesday 2nd May, 7pm at Lower School**.



**WE NEED YOU!**

## Ways to support the PSA

### Volunteer as our Treasurer

Do you have an interest or experience in bookkeeping? We are looking for a new treasurer! Main tasks: record income & expenditure, prepare year end accounts, and meet HMRC requirements. For more information or to volunteer, please email: [comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk](mailto:comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk)

### Join the Summer Fair team

We're starting to make plans for the Summer Fair. Would you be willing to run a stall or help with organisation? The date is set, we just need the people to make it happen now. Email us to join the team: [comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk](mailto:comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk)

### Take a chance with our lottery!

The school lotto is a hassle-free way of supporting our fundraising. A Westgate winner is drawn each week - and you'll also get entered into the monthly draw to win up to £25,000!

[http://bit.ly/Westgate\\_lottery](http://bit.ly/Westgate_lottery)

### Help extend access to second-hand uniform

After successfully offering Upper School uniform online, we are now looking to do the same with Lower School uniform. But to do this, we need volunteers to help sort donations, put together orders and monitor stock. Can you help? Get in touch:

[comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk](mailto:comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk)

## Dates for your diary

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: PSA AGM - 7pm, Lower School**

Friday 16th June: Doughnuts for Dads (Father's Day bake sale) - TBC

Friday 7th July: Summer Fair (date tbc)

Saturday 2nd December: Christmas Fair (date TBC)

Wednesday 6th December: Wreath making (date TBC)

**Please get in touch if you're able to help make these or any other events happen (for example end-of-term discos or after-school films):** [comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk](mailto:comms@westgateschoolpsa.org.uk).

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