

Oatlands School PTA Meeting

10th June 2025



Start of meeting 19.33

Present:

Sarah Read – Co Chair	Vasti Grootz – Deputy Treasurer
Mrs Mooney – Head Teacher	Laura Rust - Secretary
Nazli Ciloglu – Bumblebees	Nicola Filipiak – Lions
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Welcome and Apologies

- Apologies received from Carina MacKenzie, Helena Gibbons, Paula Guedes and Natasha Longton.

Minutes of last meeting

- The minutes of the last meeting were approved without amendment and are available on the school website.

Events Past

Spring Term

- **Spring Ball – 10th May** – The Spring Ball was a phenomenal success raising around £18,000. There was great feedback from the event with a few new ideas proving very popular. The Ball Committee have written detailed handover notes to help next year's organising committee. After previous discussions and feedback, the event has now been moved to the 16th May 2026 so this doesn't clash with the Oatlands fair. The ball has been provisionally booked with Oatlands Park Hotel but no deposit has been paid so this is a free option at this time.
- **DUGS craft mornings – 9th-10th June** – Miss Margarita from the Art Club organised this and it went really well. The kids really enjoyed the craft. We have paid her £121 for materials and £120 for her time.

Events Future

- **PTA Fun Day – 29th June** – The ice-cream van has been booked. They are going to pay the PTA £60. Mia's school of dance is also going to host free dance workshops in the Year 2 courtyard. Art-K are also going to provide a free art activity. Tickets are now on sale and new reception starters have been invited. A non-uniform day will be held on the 13th June in exchange for bottles and soft toy prizes for the teachers tombola. We will also hold another plastics amnesty one day next week for further donations. VG to sort the prizes. Each class has a stall to run and most stalls are charging £1. Bumblebees will charge £1 each for their glitter tattoo and nail varnish and Butterflies will charge £2 or £3 for cakes. The caretaker has kindly offered to get all the tables out to help with the setup. The PTA will get map ready so everyone will know where the stalls are positioned. This will be circulated in the next week or two.
- **Move up Day – 1st July** – The uniform will be organised on the 30th June and will be sold on the day by Sarah, Michaela, Kate and Helena. Carina and Laura will serve teas and coffees and also provide an introduction into the PTA and appeal for any sign-ups and volunteers to run an event. RP is doing the updates to the information leaflet this week to ensure there is time for this to be printed before the 1st July. This will also be sent to the current reception and Year 1 classes as a reminder of ways to contribute and a provisional calendar for 25/26. There was also some discussion in regard to possibly changing the name of the PTA to something

that seems slightly more friendly. LR to look into possible re-branding and how much work would go into this.

- **New Families Welcome Picnic – 5th July** – Multisports have confirmed they are going to run activities for 45 minutes in exchange for marketing opportunities. It has not been possible to source a coffee van this year and it was decided against an ice-cream van. The caretaker will set up the gazebos in the field. There needs to be a discussion for a Plan B in case of a rainy day.
- **Year 1 Bake Sale – 9th July** – SR is going to co-ordinate this with the possibility of also holding this on the 10th July if any cakes are leftover.
- **Family Camping – 11th-13th July** – The tickets have sold out for the camping event and there is lots of buzz around the event.

Treasurers Report

- Please see attached report. The accounts are looking healthy but we need to be mindful that we still do need to pay for camping. We have £20k as a reserve fund and have £22k available to commit to the school for next year. Mrs M is going to chase up the outstanding invoices.

AOB

- CM and LR are going to meet next week to update the PTA constitution.
- Easyfundraising has now raised £450. Further information will be provided in the PTA information leaflet.
- There are still PTA committee vacancies for 2025/2026 – Chair and Deputy Chair (or two Co-Chairs).
- A list of future events is as below. Mrs M is going to send out an email with all planned events to ascertain if anyone (or a small group) would like to volunteer to run these events, or indeed, come up with any new ideas. A short summary of every event is also being compiled so it is clear what each event entails.

Preliminary Events for 2025/2026

DATE	EVENT	RESPONSIBILITY
AUTUMN TERM		
September TBC	Reception Welcome Drinks	PTA Committee
19 th Oct (Sunday) 1-3pm	Sponsored Relay	
14 th Nov (Friday) evening	Wine tasting	Sarah Read
6 th Dec (Saturday) evening	Wreath Making	
TBC	Bake Sale - Reception	
SPRING TERM		
10 th Jan (Saturday) 12-3pm	Treasure Hunt	
Jan TBC evening	Wellness event	
13 th Feb (Friday) 9-11.30am	Sponsored Bounce	PTA Committee/School
9 th March (Monday) 9-11am	MAGS Craft Morning	
TBC	Bake Sale – Year 2	
SUMMER TERM		
16 th May (Saturday) evening	Oatlands Spring Ball	
June TBC evening	Beer Tasting	
15 th June (Monday) 9-11am	DUGs Craft Morning	
28 th June (Saturday) 1-4pm	PTA Fun Day	
July TBC	New Families Welcome Picnic	
10 th -12 th July	Oatlands Camping Weekend	
TBC	Bake Sale – Year 1	

Close of meeting: 20.28

Date of next meeting: 15 July 2025 - 7:30pm