



Annual General Meeting Chair's Report 2022-23

LBSA in 2022-23

The purpose of the Lady Bay School Association (LBSA) is to advance the education of pupils at Lady Bay School by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities and resources at the school (not provided by the Local Authority.)

The support we give to pupils of Lady Bay Primary School is mostly through financial assistance to the school by money raised through holding multiple fundraising events. The Treasurer's Report for 2022-23 covers in detail the funds the LBSA have raised this year and how they have supported the pupils at the school. The LBSA events deliver an added purpose of providing the children with experiences and creating long-lasting memories, in addition to the school programme, such as: discos, fireworks night and the CampOver summer fair.

The LBSA committee and membership comprises of parents/carers of current children in Lady Bay Primary School. Together they make a great team who volunteer to run events to meet the aims of the LBSA. Membership of LBSA is open to all parents, guardians, members of staff and friends of the LBSA who have a connection to the school either in the present, past or future. The LBSA is always open to and looking for new members. If you know of anyone who would like to be involved, please see details at the bottom of this report.

All fundraising relies on LBSA members and friends of the LBSA and it would not be possible to fundraise without our members. Thank you so much for all the help of every person in the LBSA, you've made it all possible and fun! Together we have run a programme of great events which has taken a huge amount of effort but is something we should all be proud of and take a minute to reflect on the positive impact and memories we've created as a team. Finally, a thank you to all the parents/carers, grandparents, members of the community and businesses who have supported our events by attending, spending money and donating items. Again, these events would not happen without this support and for this we are also very grateful.

Looking back over the year 2022-23 the LBSA has run seven events which in total have raised an amazing **£10,881**. (not including the September Campover.) There is more detail about each event below.

Fundraising Events 2022-23

Fireworks

The LBSA held their second fireworks night on 6th November 2022. The event included a professional fireworks display, fire spinning and LED light show. There were food, drinks and pocket money stalls. The event was attended by 1,200 people and raised £3700.85. Special thanks to all on the Fireworks committee for their hard work in planning and running this event, especially Emma Allen who took the lead. After considering feedback from last year, we chose to use silent fireworks, these were more expensive, however Emma accessed a fund to help secure them. Most people on the committee decided we will review this annually whether we go for silent or a noisier display.

Thanks again to Co-Op, ASDA and Morrisons for their donations towards this fundraiser. Finally, thanks to Vinyl Revolution for providing such great music to accompany the event.

Christmas Mingle and Trees

We took over the Lady Bay Mingle after being approached by local business owner Kate at the Good Weigh, who ran it for two years. This year we opened up the playground and used the community hubs - the Lady Bay Pub, outside the Co-op, The Poppy and Pint and the All Hallows Church and halls. We hosted a cafe in the Dragon's Diner (which sold out of Mulled Wine) a Teddy bear stall and Sweet Tombola. It was a lovely festive event with Richard from Lady Bay Music providing entertainment, alongside rustling up some local choirs to perform. Sandy, with the assistance of Bella, transformed into Father Christmas - which the children loved! The LBSA continued to work in partnership with The Christmas Tree Company in Beeston to bring Christmas trees to Lady Bay in 2022. Together the events raised £1862.22.

Discos!

In February and May 2023 the LBSA held school discos in the Dragon's Diner. There were a range of separate events to cater for all the year groups. Nigel's Night Train was the DJ for all events and volunteers, staff and children all had a great time. The weather meant that the school playground could be used as part of the venue even in February! Responsible Year 6s were selected to help at the younger disco to make the smallest children feel more comfortable. The events raised: £2083.28

Art Trail Café

The LBSA hosted a café at the 2023 Arts Trail which was a great success and well supported by delicious donations of items to sell. The event raised £1435.00. It was great to be involved in a community event working with a new committee in Lady Bay. Many thanks to Becky and the team for your organisation of this event.

Safari Sale

The Safari Sale was another great event this year. With a great number of stalls and a fantastic turnout from people in the community both buying and selling. Many thanks to Becky who is a technology wizard creating an interactive map to make this event run smoothly! The event was run on 9th June 2023 and raised £1093.08

CampOver

In summer 2023 we had to take the difficult decision to postpone the CampOver due to weather forecasts predicting dangerous wind speeds of over 40mph and lightning storms. Luckily our community supported us and helped where they could!

We then had to scramble at the start of a new term to put it back together again for the 9th September and the event turned out to be a huge success raising £2,400. Thanks to all the CampOver organisers for this event. Also thanks to Lady Bay Tennis, who ran activities for the children to enjoy. It was also wonderful to have live music from Richard Arblaster and the Lady Bay Music Academy. Ben Wood stepped in at the last minute and treated us to a five hour DJ set! Thank you everyone for your hard work and dedication to help in a crisis and then piece it back together again. This will show in the accounts for 2023-24.

Additional fundraising

The LBSA benefits from other fundraising including Easy Fundraising. Amazon Smile has now shut it's doors. In 2022-23 we have been members of the Co-Op Community Fund and we will receive payment for wellbeing activities towards the end of October 2023.

Funding to Lady Bay School

Donations to the school this year have contributed to author visits, Year 6 hoodies, Twinkl resources, playground renovations including scoping works for shed conversions, Dragons Rewards, Arts Award. This has been a total donation of over £12,000 to the school for 2022-23. Once we have reimbursed the school for these items our balance will remain over £21,000. Following discussions with the school the following items are proposed to be funded by the LBSA in 2023-24 and will be voted on by the committee:

- Contribution towards end of term House rewards £2,000.00
- Author Visit - Year one £1,000.00
- Arts Award Year 3 £ 500.00
- Playground Markings £2,0000
- Twinkl resources £ 949.
- Ipad replacement fund £1,000
- First aid training for Year 4 £350.00
- Key Strings music enrichment whole school £500.00

With the remaining funds it is proposed that the LBSA will support the school in trying to convert the store in the junior playground into useable teaching space to provide much needed additional space for the school. Currently the store is uninsulated and not habitable but there may be scope for renovating the shed enabling this space to be included in the school's usable resource space. The scoping works in the proposed funding list outlined above will help to determine whether the shed can be converted. If this is possible then it is proposed that funding for the year 2023-24 is focused towards the main goal of renovating/converting the shed. This is dependent on if or when the school moves to a new location.

Summary

The LBSA has had another great year of fundraising and supporting Lady Bay Primary School. Thank you to all the parents/carers, family members, staff and local businesses who have contributed to the LBSA this year. These funds are a result of all of your donations of money, time and prizes. Thank you for your generosity and please keep supporting the LBSA.

Thank you to every single committee member for all their great ideas and for giving up so much of their time to plan and execute these events. Special thanks to the Treasurer (Becky York) for all that you do and Emma Allen (Secretary.) We would also like to give a special thanks to committee members who are leaving the LBSA this year Julia Hillier, Sarah Kennerley-Fawcett and Elizabeth Montoya.

New members

The LBSA meet at least once a half term and run meetings in person or virtually. We would love for you to join us. If you have ideas for fundraising and would like to get involved in running an event, please contact us via ladybayschoolassoc@gmail.com to find out more information.

Victoria Phillipson, Chair 2022/23

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