

Nascot Wood Schools' Association, Nascot Wood Infant, Nursery & Juniors Schools, Nascot Wood Road, Watford, Herts, WD17 4YT

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Supporting your Nascot Wood Schools' Association

Welcome back to a new school year and a new calendar of events for the NWSA. A full events calendar will be making its way home to you all in the next few weeks so keep an eye out for it!

For those who are not aware, the Association, most commonly known as the NWSA, is a registered charity led by a small and dedicated committee of parents, guardians and teachers (even grandparents). Our aim is to raise much needed funds for both schools through various events and initiatives.

As a parent or carer of a child at either of the Nascot Wood Schools, you are automatically a member of the Nascot Wood Schools' Association.

For many years, our PTA has been enormously successful. With the support of all the parents and children who have attended our events, and with the dedication of unpaid NWSA volunteers, the schools' charity has raised £78,500 since 2010!

Unfortunately, we have been less successful at recruiting active new members to fill committee posts or to help at certain events as active members. This has meant that our core committee members have taken on too much responsibility and become exhausted and overstretched in their capacities.

Last year we were unable to organise our annual Christmas Fair due to lack of support. We are happy to say that this is not the case this year. Thanks to the outstanding support you gave us all at the May Fair, as well as the fantastic helpers that have already volunteered to help organise the Christmas Fair we have already started planning the fair which will be held on Saturday 2nd December.

But the Christmas Fair is only one of our many fundraising and community focused activities we hold throughout the school year. There are 510 children in attendance between both schools (Infants 240 & Juniors 270), all using the equipment provided by NWSA funding, and yet we only have around 10 regular attendees who come to meetings, this including heads and deputy heads. We need extra helpers, volunteers and organisers to help back up our already stretched committee and help make our fundraising events a success.

We do fully understand that many of you have demanding work and family commitments. Most of our committee are in the same situation, juggling work and family commitments alongside their contribution to the NWSA.

There are so many ways in which you can help and offer just a few minutes of your time.

Attached to this letter is a short questionnaire. This is designed to give us an idea as to what you would like to help with, the times of day that you are available to help and is also a great way for you to offer us ideas for events we may not have thought of yet.

Simply fill it in and return it to the school office. If you have any questions or would like to speak to a member of the NWSA committee please email us at nwsa@live.co.uk or contact us via our Facebook Page.

Thank you for your continued support and here is to another year of successful fundraising.

Yours sincerely, The NWSA Committee

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