#### **LSA News**

Welcome to the 2020/2021 academic year. What a year 2020 has been!

As you are aware most of our LSA fundraising events had to be cancelled at the beginning of the year due to COVID and unfortunately many of our events planned for this term will not be able to go ahead.

However, we will still be fundraising in any way we can. The LSA AGM, which is usually held in July, will now be held in January 2021 and we will be accepting nominations for the committee roles nearer the time. Gemma Burleton & Sarah Shaw will continue with the role of Joint Chair and Jo-Ann Shettle with continue as Treasurer for the next two terms to ensure continued smooth running of the LSA.

We will be holding a LSA meeting via Zoom on Wednesday 30th September at 7:30p.m and everyone is invited to attend and share ideas or just find out what we are all about. A link for this will be sent out next week.

# Meeting Challenges Together

School funding and falling budgets are hot topics at the moment; and you may be wondering how you can help your school. We strongly believe that school and parents working in partnership is the most positive way to raise money and secure the best educational experiences for our children.

The good news is, everything the LSA raises goes directly to providing for the school, and, in consultation with staff, parents have a say on where and how the money is spent.

#### Get Involved

You can make a real difference! More parents involved with the LSA means more money raised through more fun events, benefitting everyone.

There has never been a better or more important time to support the LSA.

## What value does the LSA already bring to school?

- Fundraising whether it's paying for extras or essentials, every penny directly benefits our children.
- Fun our events are enjoyed by children, parents and teachers alike, and are a great way to bring the whole school community closer together.
- Parent Voice discussing where the LSA money is spent, talking to teaching staff and everything in between contributes to school decision-making.

### Join Us

There are many ways you can offer your talents and be part of the conversation. If you would like to chat about how you can volunteer for the LSA and be a force for good at Laughton Community School – however much or little time you can spare – please get in touch with Gemma at gemmaburleton@googlemail.com or Sarah at sarahn44@hotmail.co.uk. Be certain that your help will be greatly appreciated and will make a big difference.

Also please join us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/laughtonschoolassociation/

Kind regards,

The LSA