

# Broughton Primary School PSA Newsletter – June 2017

Welcome to our PSA Newsletter.

The Broughton Primary School Parent Staff Association (PSA) is a group of parents, carers and staff who work together to plan and run fundraising events as well as write funding applications to raise money for the benefit of our children and school.

We have recently organised two fundraising events to improve Broughton's playground, support "Golden Time" activities and the Cultural Fund, which funds school trips for ALL children at Broughton Primary.

## Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The PSA and Parent Council AGM will take place in school on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August from 6.30pm-8.30pm. We will elect new committee members and discuss plans for the school year. We'd love to see you there and hear your ideas.

## Edinburgh Marathon Festival (EMF)

Since 2015, pupils, parents and staff from Broughton Primary have taken part in the Edinburgh Marathon Festival each year to raise money for PSA funds. This year over 90 children from nursery to P7 took part in races including the kids' kilometre, 1.5k, 2k and 5k. Several parents and teachers took part in the adult races. The races took place in Holyrood Park on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> and Sun 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017. All children wore a distinctive white and blue Broughton Primary School t-shirt and dozens of friends and family attended to cheer on the runners.

Runners received messages of support from ultra-marathon runner Dr Andrew Murray, Olympic athlete Laura Muir and Hibs Football Club. To prepare for the event, children were invited to weekly training sessions on a Sunday at Pilrig Park. One Sunday, they were joined by our local MSP, Ben McPherson. He took part in the run and offered encouragement to the children.

The runners received generous sponsorship from friends and family. To date over £4,400 has been raised from the event. Special thanks goes to Sandra Bagnall and Catriona Scott who organised the event. Several runners have already signed up to run again next year. Please contact Sandra or Catriona at [bpsrunners@gmail.com](mailto:bpsrunners@gmail.com) for more details.

## Summer Fair

The annual Broughton Primary Summer Fair was held at the school on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The weather was mainly kind while the children enjoyed face painting, dance demonstrations, Beat the Goalie and many other activities. There was plenty of food on offer including a BBQ, some delicious home baking and few could resist Luca's ice cream. We were also fortunate to have a fire engine crew from McDonald Road Fire Station along to offer tours of their fire engine.

Thank you to the many local businesses including Crombies, Tesco, Real Foods and Edinburgh Bicycle Co-op who supported our event. The Fair would not have been possible without the support of the many parents, carers, staff and pupils who donated items and their time to organise and run the event. Thanks also goes to all the families who came along and spent money to make the Fair a success. We raised a fantastic £2,126. A great result.

## What next?

The money raised from the EMF and the Summer Fair totals over £6,500. This money will be gifted to the school to continue to make improvements to the playground and to purchase equipment for "Golden Time". We also plan to continue with the "Cultural Fund" which this year has given extra curricular and activities and trips out of school for all year groups.

## Get involved

To share your ideas and get involved with our events and activities please email [broughtonparents@gmail.com](mailto:broughtonparents@gmail.com) or join our closed Facebook group at <http://bit.ly/bps-parent-forum>