**Arnside National School PTA**

**Annual General Meeting – 3.30pm September 24, 2014**

**Treasurer’s Report for year ended August 31st, 2014**

Firstly many thanks to Ian Dudley for auditing the accounts which are attached.

In summary, our total income was slightly less than last year and our expenditure was much higher. However, this should be seen in the context of last year’s total income being unusually high and expenditure being unusually low. See the comparison table of income and expenditure over the last 12 years, this shows both total income and expenditure is above average in 2014 (which is great because it shows that we are earning it and spending it!) The bank balance remains healthy until we pay for the school playground markings early this term.

***Income:***

Our total income for the year was £3733.30. The attached accounts give further details of how the money was raised. The Christmas Fair, Spring Fair and Benyounes Concert were again the biggest fundraisers. Takings were slightly less than last year for all three events, however this was balanced out by the addition of the 100 Club which so far has raised additional income of £320 (Many Thanks to Julia Walker for running the 100 Club). Discos and Cake Stalls raised less than last year (Disco down from £301 to £151 and Cakes down from £143 to £50, because we only held one of each event in 2014). Thanks very much to Jill Sweetman for managing the Uniforms which again showed a profit (of £133).

***Expenditure:***

Our total expenditure for the year was £3251. £3000 of this was to part fund residential trips for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, a day trip for Reception and Year 1 to Leighton Moss , and equipment for the whole school including a gazebo and outside storage provision (in year to 31/8/13). In addition donations were made to Arnside Christmas Party and the Year 6 Yearbooks this financial year.

***Other:***

Many thanks to Sara Owen who filled the gap as Chair last year and will continue for another year, despite having a busy working life and also chairing Arnies!

From the closing balance of £8720 we have agreed to pay £2000 towards the residential and day trips taken in this financial year, and a further £3000 for the new markings in the school playground. In addition the Benyounes Quartet still haven’t banked their cheque for £450! These expenses will reduce funds to around £3000. The main account will therefore be at its lowest level for several years, and the view is that by spending the money we raise, it will challenge the PTA to raise even further funds and encourage even more parents to get involved.

Thanks to everyone who helped out in 2013/14 for bringing in a respectable level of income!

**Jennifer Goddard**

**Treasurer**