## **Beaumont School Association (BSA)**

The **Beaumont School Association (BSA)** is the school's PTA which plays an important part in bringing the school community together and generating significant funds, which are then used to enhance the school experience for our children. All parents, carers, guardians, staff and governors are automatically members of the BSA and are eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting and at any Special General Meeting.

The BSA Committee is currently a small group comprising of parents and staff who meet approximately six times a year. They help at school functions and are involved with organising social and fundraising events. The BSA always love to hear from Beaumont parents/carers/guardians who would like to get involved in any way. New members are welcome to join our meetings, and we would appreciate all assistance offered and any suggestions given.

Recent BSA events include a welcome BBQ for new Year 7 parents, quiz night, Big Band jazz night, parents' Christmas party, Christmas fair, Comedy Night, and supporting the sixth-formers in running the highly successful summer music and sports' fair 'Rob's Festival'. The BSA have also provided refreshments at parents' evenings, Christmas carol concert, and the Secondary Transfer evenings.

## Recent donations made by BSA to the school:

- £20,000 towards the school's campaign to raise funds to build a new school hall
- £10,000 towards furnishing planned for new science laboratories
- On line learning tools to improve literacy for SEN
- Funds for PE team kits, athletic spikes and a hockey coach
- Sheet music, a Clavinova digital piano and wireless microphone for music
- PA system & dedicated lighting rig for School Hall for concerts, plays & displays
- Electronic and visual resources for MFL (Modern Foreign Languages)
- Annual contribution to the Duke of Edinburgh Programme
- iPad and fridge freezer for Food Tech
- Camcorder for Drama
- Computers and other equipment for Art & Photography
- Computers for the library resource

## How can parents/carers help the school and BSA?

- Attend the events! Watch out for notification of **BSA events** via school emails, the online newsletter, the school website (See section: About us/Parents/Events), or follow us on Facebook @ Beaumont Parents Association or Twitter @BeaumontBSA.
- Join our list of "Friends of BSA" to offer occasional help at an event. Parents volunteering is vital to run these events. Send your contact details to bsa@beaumont.school.
- Become a member of the **BSA committee.** Joining the committee means you can be involved in the events that the BSA organises and in deciding on how the funds raised can best be used to support the school.
- If you are 'time poor' you could help by offering a donation to the 'Beaumont School Fund' either with a oneoff donation or via a regular standing order. If each family were able to donate just £5 a month, over £50,000 a year could be raised for Beaumont (£62,500 with Gift Aid) to spend on school projects. You can make your contribution via the Scopay online page.

A child starting at Beaumont is an ideal time to attend our fundraising events and meet new people while supporting your child's school. You can play a part and make a big difference to your child's experience at Beaumont!

