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Queen Mary's Association

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The Queen Mary's Association (QMA) has remained very active over the past year.

We are a friendly group of parents and grandparents, who supported by the school, raise important funds that benefit the pupils aiming to enhance their overall education. We are always grateful for involvement of new members. This can be on a regular basis to a specific committee or you can just provide support with setting/tidying up for events. If you have a bit of spare time and would like to become involved please contact the School.

In the last year the QMA has organised/supported the following events/committees.

Burns Night raised a significant sum for the School and the **Quiz night** was very popular. Both were fun evenings which helped to cure the winter blues.

The **Bar Committee** has supported numerous events and are very keen to recruit some new members as many of this committee are retiring because their sons and daughters have left this summer. Again, this committee raises some much needed funds to support the work of the School.

The **Catering Committee** ably supports numerous events throughout the year, under the direction of Mrs Phillips.

The first **QMA Cricket tournament** was held in July and enjoyed by all who attended. There were staff teams, teams made up of Old Boys and a cricket tournament for pupils. There was much fun and laughter on one of the hottest days of the year. Refreshments and additional fun for attendees was provided by members of the Summer Committee. A good time was had by all and a good amount was raised.

For anyone interested in joining the Catering Committee formal food hygiene training can be provided.

The **Farchynys Management** group has continued to ensure that Farchynys is maintained and improved. The new properties at Farchynys have been prepared for use by the school. The Official celebration opening event was in May 2017. There is also a book available, entitled '**Marians on the Mawddach**', highlighting the history of the Coach House please contact Mrs Columbine at the School for details.

Easyfundraising has been very successful and to date has raised £1500 for school funds. The process is very easy to use and does not cost you anything. Funds are raised through your normal on-line shopping activity, search [Fundraising Ideas, Fund Raising for Charity - easyfundraising.org.uk](#), follow 'support a good cause' and find the online retailer you require.

If you like to be involved in the QMA or any of the associated committees please contact me via the school email postbox@qmgs.walsall.sch.uk for more information.

A huge thank you to Georgia and her team of QMA volunteers in the **School's uniform shop** who enable the School to retail quality uniform to pupils at reasonable prices.

Finally, exciting and challenging times ahead as QMA is the process of being set up as a charity. If you wish to make a difference and add value, please do volunteer your time.

Hope to see you at forthcoming events.

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