



PTA AGM Invite

I would like to invite you all to attend our Annual AGM for the school PTA which is due to be held on Wednesday, 13 October 2021 at 7pm in the school hall. This is open to everyone to come along. Also during the meeting we will be planning the fundraising ideas and events for the coming year.

I will be standing down as the Chairperson this year and this position will need to be filled. I have really enjoyed the last 18 months that I have held this position. It really hasn't been as daunting as I first thought! We also hold a vacancy for a secretary, we would really benefit from having this role filled. If you would like to know more about these roles or what is involved, please do not hesitate to ask.

I would like to encourage as many parents with children in school to attend the meeting as possible as the PTA benefits every child in school and only works with parents and teachers support. We would particularly welcome parents of pupils new to the school and those of pupils in the lower end of the school. It would be lovely if you could join us.

PTA Purpose

The PTA is an organisation run solely by volunteers to raise money to help the school provide materials, resources and facilities for the benefit of everyone who uses the school by running a variety of events throughout the school year.

Significantly, the activities help to bring parents together and promote good communications between parents, staff and the village while working towards the common goal of a tight knit caring community.

All the parents and staff are members of the PTA, by default. Your involvement can be from enjoying the events to helping organise the events to suggesting new money raising ideas.

The PTA always welcomes and encourages new members. It is great to have the opportunity to capitalise upon the talents, skillsets and experience of our parents and staff.

As an example, in the past few years the PTA have been able to assist the school by:

- Funding the new homework books for all classes
- Subsidising school trips
- Upgrading computers
- New picnic benches, garden shed and storage shed through funding received.
- Subsidising activities such as:
 - The building of the Willow Domes
 - Whizz Kids sessions
 - The purchase of tricycles for early years
 - The purchase of books and teaching resources
 - The Children's Christmas Party
 - The purchase of the staging for the hall
 - Travelling pantomimes
 - The purchase of school science equipment
 - And so on....

Many thanks

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