

PTFA NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2023

Huge thank you to everyone who has supported us over the last year, here's an update following our AGM.

How have we raised money this year?



Thanks to those of you who shop in Coop and selected us as your local cause, we received an additional £5300 at the end of last year.

There have also been dress down days each term, thank you all very much for donating.

The response to the Christmas hampers was, as always incredible. Thank you all for your donations towards the contents, for entering the raffle and for sharing with friends and family. It was nice to see some extended family members amongst the winners and we hope everyone enjoyed their prizes. Thank you also again to Lancing College Swim School, Tania Pascoe, SAMs music and Sam Boyce for donating additional prizes and Dixie for decorating the boxes.

Frozen Fridays were extremely popular and ice creams will make a return in the summer. In the mean time, hot chocolate sales will be held on dry Fridays after school. Thank you to everyone who has helped with either and to Dulcie for the last minute Santa sleigh production line.

How will your donations help the school?



We are now in a position to support the school with an additional set of iPads which will benefit all of the children. Our hope is to raise enough to provide further sets this year. We have also committed to supporting enhancements to the early years environment and resources.

We will continue to fund the termly whole school treats, (provided of course that the children reach their merits target...) and will contribute as in previous years to the Y6 leavers events.

Thanks for your help

Some wonderful people nominated us as their cause during sponsored sporting events last year and collectively raised almost £1000. If you or your child are taking part in a challenge, we are registered on Just Giving and are more than happy to help you create a page. Please think of us.



Many employers offer match funding. If yours is willing to do so or has CSR budget to spend, please do ask them to consider supporting us. They can make a huge difference and we are always happy to give very public thanks or take part in PR activity.

Thanks also to the parents have sold second hand toys and clothes on Facebook and donated the proceeds, it's much appreciated.

End of an era



After seven years of being utterly amazing, Anneka and Alison have hung up their purple aprons and stepped down as Secretary and Treasurer. They have raised a staggering amount of money during their time on the committee and are owed huge thanks.

Louisa Ewing and Sophie Dellow have very kindly agreed to fill those roles respectively and Dulcie Rowe has also joined the committee.

How else can you help?

We are making plans for spring and summer and will be in need of helpers.

There is a WhatsApp group for those who are able to help regularly, please grab one of us if you'd like to be added.

Alternatively, look out for posts in the Facebook group and just offer when you're able. Any support is appreciated.



There are several events we intend to run this year but if there is something that you think would be fun and are willing to organise to raise money on our behalf, please speak to us. We'd love to support you with volunteers and help to promote it.

You can also register with <u>Amazon Smile</u> or E<u>asy Fundraising</u> to nominate us as your chosen charity and join our Facebook group linked below.

Thank you all again



Shoreham Beach PTA