

## "Parents that fundraise association"

## Dear Parents and Carers

As a PTFA, we sometimes find it tricky to break free of the "stereo typical" perception of who we are and what we do. If you have ever seen the movie "Bad Moms" you might realise that PTFA's or PTA's aren't always what they seem! As a group of parents and friends we had a bit of a think about what "PTFA" could be an acronym for, for us, discounting one of my daughters rather embarrassing outburst in an assembly long ago, and our rather more comical examples, we decided the above was a little more grown up....(although we do also have friends in the mix too!) We are generally a fun group of people We meet maybe once a term at a pub! (Sometimes if we are planning something big we meet twice a term!!). A little bit about us, firstly we all work:

Chair: Tanya a full time newly qualified social worker.

Vice Chair: MJ works in agricultural sales. Treasurer: Carol a full time accountant.

Secretary: Cassie a full time community nurse.

Other members: Sarah a full time carer, Jenna mum of 3 with another on the way, Claire landscape Gardner and cook.

We give as much time as we can to organise fun things for the children to do but more importantly raise vital funds for our school. The funds raised by the PTFA help pay for :

- The interactive white boards in the classrooms £2,000.
- Various educational reading or maths programs the school want to use.
- Little extra fun things for the classroom for example the dressing up clothes in reception class.
- Buses for school trips (obviously pre covid)

There are lots of things in the school funded partially or fully by the PTFA.

We don't need you to sign your life away, we would never expect you to do all the jobs! We are a team and everyone brings something to the table -

- You might be arty and be able to design an awesome poster for a function?
- You might be able to bake and can make 100 cup cakes for a party?
- Maybe you have great ideas?
- If you can sing and dance we need you at the disco!
- Maybe you have a disco we could borrow?
- Would you be happy to make pop corn?

The PTFA isn't all about what you know but sometimes it's about who you know!!

As a PTFA we are planning a few things this term Covid permitting and are hoping to put a helpers list out for people to sign up to help. If you can give us a few hours to help at an event that would be super. If after reading this you think you might like to join the PTFA please let one of us know and we can let you know when the next meeting is.