

PTA NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME

Hello and welcome to the Christleton Primary School Parent and Teacher Association (PTA) autumn term newsletter. We would like to start by saying a massive thank you to everyone for all your support and involvement over the past year. Whether you've attended an event, volunteered, donated items, sent your child into school with cake money... thank you!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thanks to all those who attended the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Monday 9th October. Minutes are available on the school website. The next PTA meeting will be on Monday 29th January 2024. Everyone is welcome!

INTRODUCTION TO TEAM

The PTA is formed of volunteers from across the school community working together to raise much needed funds and to make a difference to the children and school through fun and creative initiatives and events. The PTA has a core team, class representatives and an amazing group of parent volunteers helping to organise events and generate new fundraising ideas.

The positive impacts on the school, children and wider school community are huge and we are lucky at Christleton Primary to have such a supportive bunch of parents and carers.

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Key dates:

Christmas Fair & Raffle 24/11/23
Festive Film Night 04/12/23
Wreath Making Workshop 6/12/23
Next PTA meeting 29/01/24

Please see each event flyer on our webpage or via the Spider app for more details.

Core Team:

Chair - Caroline Hall
Vice Chair - Loucy Bolshaw
Treasurer - Becky Lawrance
Secretary - Elsitia Payne

Class Reps:

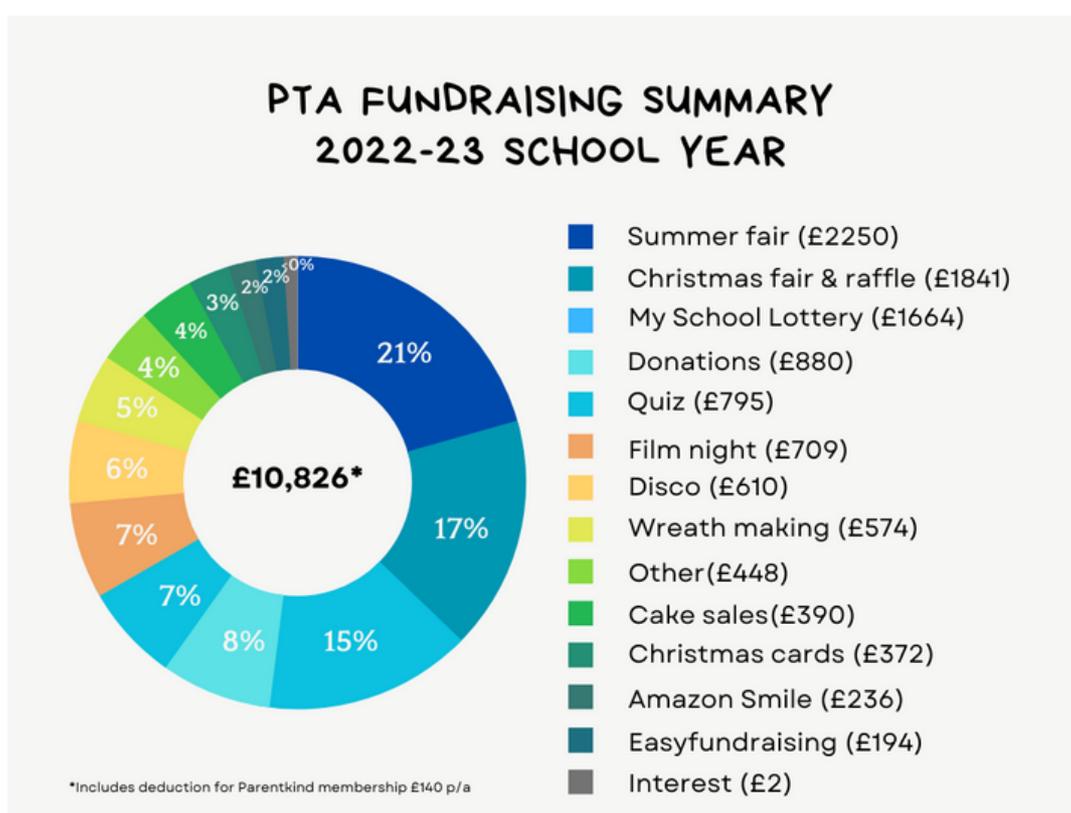
Reception - Heather and David Lewis
Y1 - Maria Coulthard
Y2 - Edwina Harkin
Y3 - Angela Roberts / Suzie Smith
Y4 - Rebecca Henderson
Y5 - Katy Stevenson / Ceri Wheadon
Y6 - Debbie Shortridge / Laura Coughlin



Fundraising Summary

The PTA is a registered charity (no. 518310) and all proceeds are directly invested back into the school for the benefit of the children.

Last year, the PTA raised a fantastic **£10,826** and the chart below shows you how this money was raised throughout the year. This would not have been possible without the support and kindness of the parents, carers, teachers and wider school community, so thank you again!



Money raised by the PTA has either funded or part-funded numerous projects and equipment in recent years including:

- Installation of the school library
- Installation of a sound system and stage lighting
- Creation of the forest school
- Installation of playground markings on both playgrounds
- Installation of play equipment (including the field fitness trail, fitness trail on the KS1 playground and outdoor gym on the KS2 playground)
- Purchase of 30 iPads
- Providing book bags for new starters
- Subsidised theatre trips
- Contributions to enhancements for each class
- Ice lollies during health week.

We are already in discussion with the school leadership to agree on new projects, such as generating funds to enable the school to create an additional learning space, which will be used to support well-being, provide interventions and provide a space for music tuition and additional extra-curricular activities.

How to support your PTA

Everyone is automatically a member of the PTA simply by being a parent or carer at the school, so whether you donate a prize for the raffle, bring in some cakes for a sale or purchase a raffle ticket, you are supporting the PTA. And even if you can't make an event, there are many other ways to support us:

School Lottery



Your School Lottery is an exciting weekly lottery that raises money by giving 40p out of every £1 back to the school. A ticket costs just £1 per week, with a jackpot prize of £25,000 won every Saturday!

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>

Easyfundraising

Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands, who donate a % of what you spend online back to the school. And it doesn't cost you any extra, as the cost is covered by the brand.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

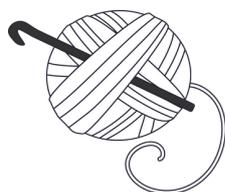
Match funding schemes

A match funding scheme is where organisations pledge to match a sum of money relating to the amount raised at an event or stall by the employee or donated to a charity. Please speak to your employers to find out whether a scheme is already in place or if they would be willing to set one up.

Donations

Donations can also be made directly to the PTA via the below details and please remember to quote your name as the reference. Thank you!

Christleton Primary School Association
(CPSA)
Sort code: 30-91-92
Account no: 02726470



Crafty Ladies

This is a creative group of school mums who handmade gorgeous gifts that are sold at events such as the Christmas fair. All proceeds go directly to the PTA and the Crafty Ladies have made fantastic contributions to the school over the years. Many of the group have children who are about to or have already left the school, so new members are needed to continue this fantastic and vital work.

All creative family members and friends are welcome! Please email Sarah Wyrko (sarahwyrko@yahoo.co.uk) for further details or contact a calls rep.

