



# PTA Newsletter

September 2021

## Welcome Back!

We hope you've had a great summer and (like us) are pleased to see things getting back to normal at school.

We're also delighted that our fundraising activities can get back on track, and you can see what we've got planned for the next term on the next page.

## BE A PART OF OUR FUNDRAISING SUCCESS

Last year we raised almost £13,000 via events and donations. But events don't run themselves. And in order to continue to deliver things that are fun for the children and help us reach our fundraising targets, **we need more people to join us.**

We know you're busy and it's hard to commit to regular meetings. We get it.

That's why we've created the roles below, which we hope you can help us fill.

- None of them require regular (or in some cases, any!) attendance at meetings
- Many of them could be done with a **group of friends** to spread the load further.
- Most only need take a **few hours each term**
- **All of them** help you meet other parents and raise much needed funds for your child and others

### YEAR REPS

- Do you want to get to know more people in your year group?
- Would you like to support the PTA but can't commit to regular events or meetings?
- Act as a point of contact between the committee and the rest of the parents. (At least 1 rep per class)

Involves:

Communicating details of events / requests  
Answering queries from other parents

Attending meetings on rotation (at least one rep per meeting)

### TREASURER

- Do you know your way around a spreadsheet?
- Would you like to play a more active part in the PTA?
- No need to attend regular meetings (although very welcome)

Involves

Counting monies (with help)

Paying in cash and cheques as required

Providing half-termly updates on income & spending

Ordering floats for events as required

Completing simple annual profit and treasurers report.

Full handover and ongoing support provided

### SMALL EVENT ORGANISER(S)

- Is your head full of ideas?
- Are you good at planning parties?
- Can you spare a few hours each half term to set up and attend a disco or film night?
- No need to attend regular meetings (but very welcome!)

Involves

Liaison with school office

Ordering refreshments

Attendance at the event

Full event plans and support provided.

### GRANT APPLICATIONS LEAD

- Would you like to help but can't attend meetings or events?
- Are you good at researching online?
- Can be done in own time

Involves

Identifying relevant grant / external funding opportunities

Filling in applications (with help and support if required)

Liaison with school and committee as needed

Filling these roles will allow us to continue to

- hold our popular Summer and Christmas Fairs
- run days in the community such as the Garage Sale Safari
- give pupils the opportunity to attend events like film nights, discos and the now infamous (and highly anticipated) Break the Rules Day.

**Without our efforts over the years, many of the things that your child has the benefit of as they move through the school simply wouldn't exist.**

**From iPads to play equipment, leavers presents to library books,  
ALL THESE THINGS WERE BOUGHT WITH MONEY RAISED BY  
PTA ACTIVITIES.**



**SAVE THE DATE**

**Christmas Cards deadline 4<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Make sure you return your order form by this date to get your child's personalized Christmas cards. More details to follow.

**PTA AGM 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 7.30pm**

Join us and find out more about what we achieved last year be a part of our planning for the 2021/22 academic year.

**Halloween Disco 21<sup>nd</sup> Oct**

There will be two, both after school – Foundation & KS1 and KS2. Fancy dress encouraged. Volunteers needed!

**Christmas Fair – expected to be Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 1pm**

More details to follow but put the date in your diary! Volunteers required!

## How Else Can You Help?

- **Shop on Amazon!** We can make money on your purchases – and it doesn't cost you a penny. Visit [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk) to sign up, choose Burton Joyce Primary School Parent Teacher Association as your charity and then return to [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk) each time you shop.
- **Preloved uniform!** Please continue to donate any uniform items by leaving them in reception and don't forget to email [bjpta@burtonjoyce.notts.sch.uk](mailto:bjpta@burtonjoyce.notts.sch.uk) with your uniform requests.
- **Donations!** We always need good condition cuddly toys, toys and books for our secondhand stalls plus your unwanted gifts or sealed toiletries for raffle or tombola prizes. Please leave donations in reception.
- **Match funding!** Does your place of work offer match funding? If so, this literally gives us money for nothing. Please get in touch with us so we can work out how best to progress with you.
- **Sponsorship!** If you own your own business or work somewhere that wants to reach parents of school age children or people within the village, perhaps you'd like to sponsor one of our events? Email us and let's talk!

Contact the PTA via the post box in the school office, on e-mail at [bjpta@burtonjoyce.notts.sch.uk](mailto:bjpta@burtonjoyce.notts.sch.uk), through our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/BurtonJoycePrimarySchoolPTA](https://www.facebook.com/BurtonJoycePrimarySchoolPTA) or by grabbing one of us in the playground. We're always happy to help 😊