



**Lambs Lane School
Parents and Teachers Association (PTA)**

2024

Introduction

Welcome to our school.

This booklet has been compiled by the Lambs Lane School Parent and Teacher Association (PTA). Its purpose is to explain what we do and some of the ways in which parents can help in this important part of the school.

What is the PTA and why do we have it?

The PTA is a registered charity whose primary role is to plan and organise fundraising events for the school.

Lambs Lane PTA is a friendly group of parents, who fundraise to provide additional equipment and experiences for all the children that make so much difference to the children's education and the facilities within the school in general. As parents of children at the school, we are all members of the PTA.

We are fortunate at our school to have a PTA that is and has been an integral part of the school community for many years.

The PTA is about much more than simply fundraising. It exists to provide closer links between home and school, and it is an excellent way to bring staff, parents and friends together socially in support of the school, working towards a common goal. It is fun too!

Role of the Committee

The PTA committee consists of four key roles: Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer and Secretary with other committee members.

Responsibility for organising fundraising events is shared between committee members and others. This is often done by setting up smaller sub-committee groups. Committee members volunteer for which groups they want to join, then work together to take the lead in organising those events. It's really up to each committee member how much and at which events they want to get involved with.

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

We hold an Annual General Meeting, which is a mandatory requirement to allow us to continue and to elect each year's committee. Hear a short update of how all the amazing money has and will continue to support the children at Lambs Lane School. With members support we hope to bring another year of fun events. It is held every October.

How we raise money

The majority of our funds are raised through the events that we run. Some of our most popular events are the Christmas fair, the Easter Disco, and the Summer fair.

In addition to events, we have raised funds through sales of gift wrap, and through marshalling and staffing the kit tent at the annual Reading half marathon, as well as a clothes recycling scheme (Happy Bags) and employer matched funding.

How we spend the money we raise

Together with Mrs Finn, we compile a 'wish list' of items that the school would like the PTA to consider funding.

This could be anything from practical items such as Fizz Books (laptops), the projector and screen in the school hall and the radio system which allows the children to record, edit and broadcast their own radio shows or it could be resources to help improve a particular area of the school environment such as funds to support the overhaul of the library or money towards the outdoor classroom on the playing field.

We always endeavour to spend our funds in ways that will benefit all our children across all areas of the school and curriculum.

How you can get involved

Interested in getting more involved? We welcome and really need support both ad hoc and on the committee. Particularly in the planning and preparation of events as well as on the actual day. No experience necessary! Just a bit of enthusiasm and we can help guide where a little bit of your time can be a huge contribution.

Everyones invited to join the committee, or help at an event, all input is greatly appreciated. Its great fun and we promise it won't take over your life, but we would love to see new committee members. With help and support we can make events lots of fun and great successes.

If you join Lambs Lane and you are interested in contributing to the fundraising events and enhancing all the childrens experience at Lambs Lane Primary School plus having lots of fun at the sametime please come along to the AGM. If you are unable to attend but still want to help out and join us please email LLSA@hotmail.co.uk

Please keep in touch, check out the school website for more information and our facebook page.

Parent support is greatly needed, and we appreciate any levels of help that our parent community are able to offer us.

Yours Sincerely

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