



ETCHELLS PTA NEWS

Supporting your children and their school

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Welcome to all children and parents at Etchells Primary School 2022

The Etchells School PTA would like to say a big welcome back and a huge warm hello to all the new children and parents who started in September.



What is the PTA?

The PTA is a great way to bring together parents, teachers and the local community to raise funds and to support the school. Being part of the PTA helps parents to understand how things in the school work.

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Schools are becoming more dependent upon parent groups and the PTA are responsible for the majority of the school's fundraising revenue. They provide support to teachers and administrators, create fun activities and social events for fundraising while offering a caring and supportive atmosphere within the school.

The Year 2020/2021

With the events of the last couple of years, life had been difficult for many people. Fundraising events had been cancelled and extra safety precautions stepped up. Previous years fundraising events have helped raise money for a new sound system with microphones for the school hall, a new library, climbing frames / trails and playground markings with Buddy Benches.



A huge thank you to all those who contributed to last term's activities. The children had lots of fun on Be Different Day and cooled off with a refreshing ice pop treat. This year we are raising money for a very much needed shelter for nursery. Thank you very much to all the children, parents and teachers for their support.



Shop Online? Raise money for school

More and more people are shopping online. You can raise money for the school by doing one simple thing and its free! Sign up to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/cause/etchellsps/>



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Your 2022/2023 PTA Committee

Isobel Avemaria —Chair

"I'm completely new to the PTA as my little girl has just started Reception this September. As soon as I saw the information about the PTA within the induction documents I knew I wanted to join as I want to be involved as much as possible with the school and help out in anyway I can. I have got off to a bit of a strange start as I've just had my second child prematurely but now we are home and settling in to life as a family of 4. I am looking forward to getting involved and getting to know the rest of the PTA members. Let the planning commence!"

Michelle Sanderson—Secretary

"PTA? What's a PTA was my first question when I first heard about it. I love to get involved and help people out so knowing that I could help the school in so many ways along with working with teachers and making new friends was a step forward for me. I'm a working mum and my son has been in the school since Nursery and is now in Year 3. I've enjoyed listening to children read, helping with school trips, and fundraising events so joining the PTA Committee just made sense. I've been involved for 4 years now and have thoroughly enjoyed it. I've met many nice people and am pleased that I can use some of my free time to help others knowing the benefits it will have for the children.

Oh and PTA stands for Parent Teacher Association".

Farzana Khan—Vice Chair

I am a full time mum and my girls have been at Etchells since being in nursery. They're now in year 3 and 4, wow how the time flies. I have been a volunteer at Etchells school since nursery, and have enjoyed working alongside teachers, helping in various roles, classroom reading, fund raising and not to forget all the school trips out. It has all been an amazing experience, and I have met some amazing people along the journey. The PTA has been a chance for me to have a active role and continue to help the school to benefit the children.

Denise Maskew –Treasurer

"I have a son in year 3 and a daughter who has just left for high school. I first got involved with the PTA after attending meetings and helping out with fundraising events. My role as treasurer is to help raise as much money as possible for the school and make sure that the money is spent on projects that all the children can benefit from. The best thing about the school events is the sense of community that it brings, and getting to know the other parents and the teachers better. It's brilliant to watch the children and parents having fun whilst raising important funds to support their education"

VOLUNTEER



Want to get involved?

Feel unsure about getting involved with the PTA? Expecting to do lots and can't commit? **Any** help you can provide is very much appreciated whether it's attending a couple of events, providing ideas or obtaining raffle prizes. You can do as little or as much as you want.

More hands make light work. Showing your children you value their education will teach them to value it as well. In return you'll receive a huge sense of satisfaction and most likely a new group of friends. Without you the school wouldn't be able to raise the necessary funds needed.



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