



# SHIRLAND PRIMARY PTFA

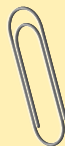
## NEWSLETTER



<u>Chair</u>	<u>Vice-Chair</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Staff Member</u>
Emma Wragg	Sarah Bramley	Beverley Wakefield	Rebecca Brunt	Sarah Bramley

### Committee News

There has been an update to the Committee this year as the Chair of the PTFA Helen Hughes stepped down from the position. The Vice Chair, Emma Wragg, has stepped into the position and Sarah Bramley who is our Staff Member on the Committee agreed to step into the Vice-Chair role for the rest of this year. We would like to thank Helen for all of her hard work and commitment over the 18 months that she was in the role bringing new ideas and additional enthusiasm to the team. If anyone would like to take on a role on the committee, a new committee is elected each year at our AGM which is in October 2024. It is always great to see new members attending the meetings to get new and fresh ideas to take forward. Hopefully we will get to see new faces at upcoming meetings.



### Upcoming Events

#### Year 6 Send Off

There is something exciting planned for our Year 6's which the PTFA have donated funds to. Hopefully it will give them lots of memories with their classmates and teachers before moving to Secondary School in September 2024. We hope you enjoy it kids!!!

### Upcoming Events

#### SAVE THE DATE

#### SUMMER FAIR 5TH JULY 2024

We will have inflatables, stalls, refreshments the bidding wall with some fantastic prizes including free tickets to West Midlands Safari Park. There will also be our summer raffle, young entrepreneur stalls (run by Years 1-6) plus much, much more.

We will have our usual dress down day a few days before (Monday 2nd July) for prizes for our surprise bottle stall – please bring in a bottle of anything.

We would kindly ask if you have anything that would be suitable for the tombola, raffle or a company able to donate a bidding wall prize, please speak to one of the committee or get in touch via email to [shirland.ptfa@shirland.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:shirland.ptfa@shirland.derbyshire.sch.uk) Any prizes would be gratefully received. Donations can be left at the school office or passed to one of the PTFA Committee.

Also if you are available to help just for an hour it means we can relieve people from stalls so that everyone will get a chance to enjoy the fayre with their child please email or give your details at the school reception.

If you would like a car boot stall or another stall at the fayre please also email the PTFA or see the Committee and we will see if we can accommodate you. Stalls will be charged £15 to sell at the fayre.

**We can't wait ... let's hope the weather is great on July 5th**



# What has the PTFA funded this year?

**You put on all these events but where does the money go??**

**Pantomime** – This year our biggest contribution was sending the whole school to the pantomime in Mansfield, this is something we are hoping to do every other year as the cost this year was £2,241. The other things that the PTFA has provided include:

**Caps and bottles for all reception children**

**All the medals for celebration assembly**

**The Christmas parties including a treat and refreshments for all year groups**

**An animal handling day to help support science-based learning**

**World Book Day Prizes \* End of year Reading Prizes**

**Several resources for school: including wooden sleepers for a garden project, an Amazon Alexa, bean bags, jigsaw puzzles and Lego therapy equipment.**

**Ice pops on Sports Day (whatever the weather!!)**

**Sensory Room** – We are also funding a Sensory Room in The Nest for children to use which will cost between £1,000 – £1,200 to complete.



## 2023–2024 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

### Halloween Discos

Fun and games was had by all at our Halloween discos this year. We always have great fun dancing and playing games at this event. The children especially like the Corner Game, last person left in the game wins the prize. Snacks and drinks were a must with all the running around everyone did.

### Easter Bingo

The school hall was full again this year with Grandparents, Parents and Children. This is always such a popular event and great fun. The night raised £351.96 from the sale of Bingo tickets and refreshments. We would like to say a massive thank you to all that attended and to our PTFA volunteers for helping on the night. The huge thank you also goes out to everyone who donated some form of chocolate which were our prizes for the night.

A big thank you must go out to Mr & Mrs Chapman who kindly lent us the Bingo Machine that Mrs Chapman's father used for his Bingo nights. They have since donated this to the school for our future use. Thank you very much xxx

### Christmas Fayre

Another successful event which this year was match funded by Strata Homes who are building houses next door to school. We had a brilliant time with some new stalls and games which went down a treat. We had a lot of items donated; Markowitz donated the wheelbarrow which was filled with booze (Mrs R had a great Christmas 🥳 Congratulations Mrs R). The wheelbarrow will be re-filled with other items at future events. Lots of companies also donated money for the Crack the Code Game. Most of all we would like to thank all of the parents and carers that came along to the event to support the PTFA and ultimately the School. In total we raised £1,653.48, which was match funded by Strata Homes and therefore the grand total was £3,306.96. Which is absolutely amazing.



## Challenge 2024

Did you use this Challenge to your advantage!!! Was your dishwasher stacked everyday? All your socks paired up? Lawn mowed? Did the kids tidy their room? Or were you that lucky parent that did a 24hr silence!!! Whatever you did we are really pleased to announce that this years Challenge raised over £700. Around 25 Children took part this year which was great. The children did activities such as bake sales, reading, tidying and litter picking. One child even donated 24 teddies to the Children's Hospital. Well done and a massive pat on the back to those that participated, and also thank you to everyone that sponsored the children to undertake the activities or purchase what they had made. Thank you.

## Refreshments

The PTFA have sold refreshments at several events this year which has generated over £100 for our funds. Thank you everyone.

## Match Funding Request

Some companies may have match funding policies and may be able to match the fundraising total for one of our events or even just a stall at an event. These include companies such as supermarkets, larger corporations and high street banks. We would be really grateful if you could see if your employer has such a scheme, or if they are willing to match fund any of our events. For e.g. Lloyds Bank can match fund up to £1,000 each year, but this can only be accessed by employees.

If you are able to help in anyway or if you are unsure what match funding is about, please contact a PTFA Committee Member, in person, via the school reception by leaving your details or via our email address ([shirland.ptfa@shirland.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:shirland.ptfa@shirland.derbyshire.sch.uk)) and we will get in touch with you. Thank you very much for your support. PTFA Committee.

## Rags to Riches

We have had 2 collections by Rags to Riches where parents and carers have brought old clothes etc. In total this has raised over £50.00. Thank you

## Film Night

Film night started off with the film 'Over the Hedge' and ended with a disco. Nothing like thinking on our feet! The kids weren't really feeling it so instead we changed tactics and put some music on and danced the night away!!!! They all had a great time and enjoyed the refreshments. £100 from the profits of the film night will be in the Crack The Code Box at the Summer Fayre so you could get your money back and a bit more!!!

## No Volunteers = No Events

We would like to thank everyone who has volunteered for the PTFA so far this year. Volunteering is one of the most important ways you can support the PTFA, by giving an hour or two of your time to ensure that our events run smoothly. No skills or experience are necessary! The PTFA has plans for future events both this year and in future years, but we need support from the whole school community to make them happen. If we cannot get the support to run the events we cannot run the events.

We look forward to welcoming new faces. If you are interested in helping out please get in contact via email [shirland.ptfa@shirland.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:shirland.ptfa@shirland.derbyshire.sch.uk) or speak to a current member of the PTFA Committee.

**Many Hands Make Light Work**

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# Empties Please

What do you do with your finished printer cartridges? Did you know that you can recycle them and get money for the PTFA. Please bring cartridges that can be recycled and place them into the cardboard recycling bin that is located in the reception area.

You can look at the following links to see the different cartridges and toners that can be sent.

What does your work do with their cartridges and toners? Do they just get put into the bin – maybe put them in our bin instead and get some funds for the school. It's a win win!! :

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