

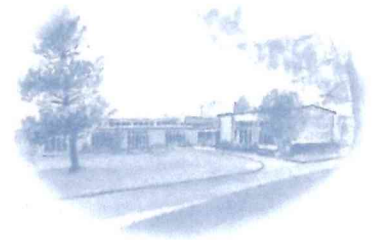
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Dear Parents,

PTFA update

You may remember I recently sent out a plea to ask for your support in running our PTFA next year. We recently held a PTFA meeting and only 6 people attended – 3 being members of my team. I totally understand the commitment involved and we all lead very busy lives so it does make it a challenge for many of us.

As a result of this we will not have a PTFA next year sadly and the knock on effect of this will be as follows:

The school will lose an average income of £10,000-£12,000 a year. This money is used in the following way:

School trip contributions for coach fayres – *example: Year 2 trip without PTFA and school contribution cost would be £27.17 – year 2 this year paid £18.92*

Playground resources – *example: Messy Play hut on school field has increased the activities for reception children*

Christmas gifts and contributions to parties

Year 2 leavers t-shirts and disco

Secret days and Sponsored events

Contributions to ipad purchases

Contributions to pantomimes – *example: a contribution of £1.11 from parents for this to happen and if not enough contributions then the pantomime may not go ahead*

Contributions to visits and visitors

Our events during the year including Christmas, Easter and Summer Fayres which are run by the PTFA will not be taking place.

In light of the Government funding effects on schools this year - the school has also taken a loss and will therefore not be able to compensate for this loss of money. This in turn will mean the extra special activities and resources which enrich the day to day learning of the children will only be put in place if parents are willing to pay a contribution to them.

I am sure you agree with me that the PTFA has provided the school with an amazing range of contributions to your child's life at the school but without the PTFA these extra special activities and resources will be excluded.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Kotze
Headteacher

