EAST SHEEN PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA





Welcome to East Sheen Primary School Parent Teacher Association (ESPS PTA) and thanks for coming to our PTA coffee morning today. We have recently taken over as Co-Chairs of the PTA and are looking for keen, enthusiastic parents to join us.



Autumn Term

- PTA Coffee Morning 29th September
- PTA Committee Meeting 10th October 7.30pm
- PTA AGM 21st November 7.30pm
- Christmas Fair 26th November
- Xmas Production Mulled wine & mince pies
- PTA Christmas Newsletter

Please take this leaflet home, have a read and get back to us if you'd like to be part of our team.

Our PTA was formed in 1972 just after the school was badly damaged by fire. We are a registered charity (no. 273295) and members of the National Council of Parent Teachers Association.

The PTA has two core roles:

1 - To raise funds using a range of fundraising events to purchase items that the school would otherwise be unable to provide.

2- To help develop and sustain positive relationships between all parents and between parents and teachers. We do this with social events and a whole variety of consultation opportunities.

Our PTA can be proud of their achievements. Research shows that on average a school PTA will raise £10k per annum versus ESPS PTA £40k per annum.

Over the last few years our main achievements have been to fund:

£4k to Astro Turf the grass between Reception and Year 1 (2017) £8k for 30 new iPads (2016) £5k for Reception climbing frame (2016) £17k towards re-stocking the junior library (2015) £40k for the music lodge (2014)

Alongside smaller projects such as providing numeracy support, replenishing art supplies, buying playground and sports equipment to mention but a few.

2016/17 Main Fundraising Events Raised:

Spring Ball - £19,750 London 2 Paris Bike Ride - £18,400 Christmas Bazaar - £13,000 Summer Fair - £11,3000 Fun Run - £2,000 Family Football Festival - £2,000 Bingo Night - £1,400



Who is a member?

By default all ESPS parents are members of the PTA. The PTA has a committee of volunteers including Co-Chairs, a Secretary and Treasurer and is always looking for new committee members. The President of the PTA is Liz Page and there is always at least one teacher representative.

We also have a group of PTA 'supporters' who help on an adhoc basis. So if you have a particular skill that could help that is great. Artists, event management, musicians, web experts, marketing communications, PR – you name it; we've found a use for it! Equally if you can pour coffee, count money or move furniture we would be happy to add your name to our supporters list. The more we can spread the load the easier for everyone – so please do let us know what you would be happy to do.

The PTA recognises how much the families of our pupils give to the school: helping in the class-room, baking cakes or donating something for the tombola to name just a few. Without this help the PTA would not be able to offer so much to meet the needs of the children in our school. We thank all those who so generously give time to the school and look forward to working with you across the following school year.

Our 2017 AGM will be held on 21st November and will be another opportunity for you to hear more from the PTA and to agree funding requests for the forthcoming school year.



Please contact us for any further information <u>louisamargiepta@yahoo.com</u> or via your Class Representatives or the School Office.

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