

Dear Families,

Welcome to our Summer 24 PTA newsletter.
We are so proud to have such a brilliant team on the PTA and this newsletter will give you an insight into who we are, what we do and what the funds we raise do for our school every year.

DATES 2024

Ice Cream Friday

MAY

3 / 10 / 17 / 24

JUNE

7 / 14 / 28

JULY

5 / 12 / 19

Sports Day

ice-creams

FRIDAY 21 JUNE

Summer Disco

THURS 18 JULY

Bag2School

Collections

Dates to follow

Colour Run

SEPT 2024 (TBC)

What we do...

At Ashford Hill the PTA work with Kirsty Kingham and her team to provide much needed additional funds outside of the school budget. We do this by putting on regular events for the families, children and school community.

This year we have been asked for the following:

- A library makeover
- Coach travel for school trips
- Staff PE kit
- Educational wall art
- Musical instruments
- SATS breakfast
- Leavers books
- Frozen photobook

Your ongoing support at all the events we hold mean so much and every penny will go towards one of these projects.

Fundraising this term

So far this year we have put on the following fund raisers:

Film Club, Halloween Disco, Bag2School collections, Xmas Hamper Raffle, Wreath Making, Nativity Refreshments, Christmas Parties, Valentine's Day Bake Sale, Easter Egg Hunt. All the monies raised have gone towards the projects above.

For the Summer Term we have the following events to look forward to:

Ice Cream Fridays



They are back! Starting on 3rd May. The PTA will be selling ice lollies and ice creams every Friday after school either on the playground or in the hall (depending on the weather!) We will also be selling on Sports Day too!

Bag2School

A fun, free and easy way to raise funds. We all have clothing in our wardrobes that we haven't worn in ages. If you are having a sort out, please drop off your items to school in the large blue bins to the side of school. The PTA then arrange for the bins to be emptied. The driver loads the bags directly onto the van, the collection is weighed and the school receive payment! Simple as that!

What happens to the clothes?

The clothes that are collected are baled into big 'botany bales' and loaded onto trucks for export to a factory, where they are sorted into 150 different types of clothing. The clothing will then make journeys all over the world starting their new life. This can be a purpose-built second-hand shop in Eastern Europe or South America, or a market stall in East or West Africa, providing valuable employment for importers, warehouse staff, transport companies and stall holders as well as affordable clothes for local people. For more information, please visit www.bag2school.com

What we collect

In the event of inclement weather please protect your Bag2School investment by covering with a plastic sheet or storing bags undercover as wet items cannot be accepted.



We Collect



We Don't Collect

Below is a list of everything that **we collect**. If in doubt, please call us on 01609 780 222.



Clothes



Paired shoes



Handbags



Hats



Bags



Scarves and ties



Bras



Jewellery



Socks



Belts



Soft toys



Household linen



Household curtains



Household towels



Household bedding



WHO WE ARE...

Principal – Kirsty Kingham

Co-Chairs

Anna Liddeatt

Beccy Lapham

Vice Chair – Sharon Quant

Treasurer – Fiona Hunt

Secretary – Gemma Day

Hedley Day, Emily Bernard,
Hayley Huxley, Jo Chaplin,
Kat Pugh, Melanie Wild,
Sophie Machetti, Bec Baker,
Sam Quirk, Lucy Grenville,
Amanda Keable, Nicola
Varcas, Sarah Nash, Natalie
Collins, Becky Hall, Holly
Bellamy, Lynne Taylor.

A huge thank you to the
parents that are on the PTA
Committee and the new ones
that joined us.

What a great team!

Summer Disco

The PTA hold a summer disco at the end of term, this year on Thursday 18th July.
more info will follow on this but please Save The Date!

Can you help?

If you want to get involved, we would LOVE to have you!

You can do as much or as little as you can manage... anything is amazing. Nothing is expected of you, so even if you can only spare 5 mins, we would really be grateful to have you on the team either as a committee member or a happy helper!!

Colour Run

September 2024 will see the return of our popular Colour Run! Exact date tbc!



Thank you so much to all the school community for your ongoing support. If you would like to join us, or have any ideas as to an event you would like to see, please do contact us on ah.pta.chair@gmail.com