

## 2022 - 2023 - Report from The Chair

Once again, the PTA has achieved another successful year of fundraising for the school. On top of our usual fundraising activities: The Borders Classic Bike Show, Bags 2 School, School lottery, Easyfundraising, School Fete and Second Hand Uniform Sales; we also started offering refreshments at Parents Evenings as well as running the bar for the School Production of The Wizard of Oz.

The PTA had over £8000 in the account to allocate to teacher "Wish List" requests. Across the school, funds were given to various departments that helped contribute to student enrichment. Here are some of the things this money helped to fund:

£2700 for My Maths Tutor for each student

£750 for the license and costumes for The Wizard of Oz Production

£300 for Warhammer Club materials and books

£650 for House Awards and Recognition

£355 for new Art materials

If, in this year, your child joined a club, improved in a subject or generally enjoyed their time at school, chances are the PTA played a part.

With the conclusion of this fundraising year, and after 7 years in the PTA, I will be stepping down as Chair at the 2023 AGM. This leaves the PTA with only 4 active members.

In order for the PTA to continue, a new Chair and Press Secretary must be appointed.

We really need new volunteers to ensure the PTA continues to support your child's education and well-being.

Being part of the PTA does not require you to commit a lot of time. It can really help if you can spare -

- 5 minutes of your social media time to share and promote PTA

Facebook posts.

- 10 minutes to make a phone call to organise a Bags 2 School collection. This adds around £200 to PTA funds.
- 1 hour to help serve food or assist with the car parking at The Bike Show. This year's Bike Show raised over £3,700.

Now is the time to consider making a difference to your child's school experience. Whether you realise it or not, you probably already have the personal or professional skills to be able to help the PTA.

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