



Welcome from the PTA at Great Creaton Primary School

When my oldest child started at Creaton I was happy to join the PTA but wasn't sure what it was all about, I just thought it was something that all parents were supposed to do! At the first meeting I was shocked to hear that all the current members were leaving as their children were all in their last year at the school. They had all spent the last five years endlessly fundraising and it was now down to the two newest recruits!

It wasn't until that point that I had any clue about what the purpose of the PTA was and was amazed at all the 'Extra' things they bought for the benefit of 'Every' child at the school. All schools have a limited budget but small schools suffer even more and need additional financial support.

EXAMPLES OF FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

Den kits: Wooden posts with hooks, ropes and tarpaulins.
Painting our school logo at front of school,
Rolls of fabric of mixed colours,
Sofa, an armchair and carpet/rugs for the reading area,
Book shelves / Book Ends,
Support for shortfalls for trips (Faith trips /Theatre trips/ Science trips etc.),
Topic books and Reading Scheme books for older readers.
Classroom resources such as new Maths games.
Revamping the EYFS outdoor area.

YOU CAN HELP....

As there are only 6 members of the group we are always looking for more help and if you can spare one evening twice year to have a drink and help come up with more ideas for fundraising we would be so grateful. Apart from that we only need help on the events that you can get to and there is no big commitment.

If you would rather not be part of the team, we still need help at the events if you are able to, otherwise it falls on the same 6 people to organise, set up and clear up.

Sometimes all we need is for cakes to be made so if you have a member of your family that is good at making cakes it would be fantastic if you could recruit their help once or twice a year.

Throughout the year we have a few collections of old clothes which convert to cash to top up our funds. If you can ask neighbours and family members to also save their old clothes, bags, bedding and curtains we would be most grateful.

If you are a keen gardener, painter, builder or carpenter we could also really do with expertise in the grounds to maintain our wonderful garden. Normally once or twice a year some parents help to tidy up the grounds, the more people who join us the more we can get done.

Do you work for a company that could match fund fundraising events or donate items for our annual raffle, assist with marketing, printing, signage, technology?

Go to Easy Fundraising and every time you purchase something from a number of websites (Amazon, John Lewis etc.) it will automatically donate to our school **JOIN NOW**: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

We have a Facebook page which if you join we can use to communicate about events and you can have your say if there is anything particular you would like us to fundraise for. Look for 'Friends of Great Creaton School'.

Thank you for all your help and support,

Lucy
Chair of the PTA