

BOXGROVE PTA NEWSLETTER "Doing More Together"









WELCOME TO THE BPTA NEWSLETTER

Another academic year is drawing to a close so it is time once again to recap on our activities, total up what we have raised and how much we have given to the school, and to give thanks.

Sadly of course we have been unable to hold any of our 'normal' events this year, but we have tried to still provide some entertainment and activities, even though we couldn't actually be together. Hopefully you found something you enjoyed, whether it was the Fun Run, Christmas Hampers, Balloon Race, Gin Boxes, Treasure Hunt, a cream tea, a bike ride (or indeed a free bike), or the Summer Raffle or Silent Auction.

Huge thanks go to the volunteers who run our Uniform Shop so well – we would all be lost without you kitting out our children whilst donating any profit to the Hardship Fund.

The heads, teaching staff, Mr Wilson and the office ladies are always very supportive of our events, so thank you to them for helping us this year too.

Of course, as always, none of our events or fundraising would be successful without the participation of our Boxgrove families, so thank you to everyone who has taken part this past year.

We look forward to seeing you all in September. Until then, we wish you all a restful and healthy summer,

Zoë and Kristi Co-Chairs





A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ZOË

by Kristi Hanna - Co-Chair

Special thanks and acknowledgment go to Zoë Kollov who is now leaving Boxgrove after being Co-Chair for 6 years and organising 10 Summer Fairs!

Zoë, thank you for your amazing enthusiasm, dedication and incredible hard work, we will certainly miss you!



ALSO THANK YOU TO....

by Kristi Hanna & Zoë Kollov - Co-Chairs

We would like to thank our committee who have worked hard this year to keep us going – Marianne, Debbie, Nick and Pareesha you've done a great job, thank you!









WE NEED YOU!

By Marianne Webb - Deputy Chair

In order to keep putting on events and raising all this money for school we desperately need some more help - the people who currently organise events are doing an increasing amount, and we are losing some of our most active and experienced volunteers this year. You will have seen in the school newsletter that if we want to return to pre-pandemic events and fundraising of approx. £30,000 a year, we must have more help.

If you would like to help out with any events with a contribution great or small (whether it be taking the lead on the summer fair or being a contact for the Lottery) or have any suggestions, please drop us an email, we are always keen to hear new ideas!

Kristi is happy to stay on as Chair next year but would much rather share the role with someone (or 2 others).

If anyone is interested in taking on this role, please email us at boxgrovepta@gmail.com. A job description is available on the website, but essentially it is a very rewarding and interesting role, even though it can admittedly be time-consuming sometimes!

EVENTS UPDATE

by Pareesha Dos Santos - Secretary

The first event we have in the diary for the next academic year is the 2km **Fun Run & Teacher Chase on Sunday October 17th.** Please keep an eye out for updates on this event next term, but in the meantime please put the date in your diaries.

PTA meeting dates for autumn are:

7th September 2021 19th October 2021 - AGM 14th December 2021

The time and location for each PTA meeting will be released via Studybugs and our <u>Facebook page</u> nearer the time.



HOW TO CONTACT US

by Nick Griffiths - Media Secretary

To contact the PTA email: boxgrovepta@gmail.com

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PTA Events: <u>pta-events.co.uk/bpta</u> Website: <u>boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk</u>

Business Advertising: pta-events.co.uk/bpta

FUNDRAISING TOTAL

by Debbie Morton - Treasurer

In total this year we have raised approximately £13,400. School have requested funding of around £23,000, which includes 30 ipads, 950 books, glockenspiels, online phonics, revamping the Y2 and EY outside areas, funding Art Week, maths equipment ... and much more besides!

Fortunately we had a healthy bank balance going into the pandemic, so we have been able to continue giving the school everything it has asked for.

Alongside all of our own activities we have also been paying a professional fundraiser this year, who won us a grant for £8,667 for developing a Sensory Garden. We have agreed to continue with her for at least another term, as we are hopeful of lots of other successful bids potentially worth thousands of pounds through the Autumn Term.

Our ongoing fundraising initiatives continue to bring in money; yourschoollottery, easyfundraising, amazon smile, Happy School Bags, ziffit, mynametags and business advertising on our events website.

