

East Boldon Schools PTA

Charity Registration No 1143889

Welcome to our own page on our wonderful schools website, where you can find out about our PTA, raising funds, exciting events, volunteering and lots more!

The PTA is a registered charity run by a committee of enthusiastic parents and school representatives. We organise fun and inclusive events and activities for children and families across the year. The funds raised provide resources and opportunities that the school may not otherwise be able to afford. Both schools come to us with proposals for spendings, and as a group we consider the projects and activities we can support. We also come together to contribute in a hands-on manner with working groups and other activities.

Get in touch anytime: eastboldonschoolspta@gmail.com and why not follow our [Facebook Page](#)

Contributing and Volunteering

Lending a hand, no matter how large or small, will help make positive changes that enhance the children's experience and education at East Boldon Infant and Junior School. There are many opportunities to help, from taking part in PTA events; donating items for tombolas, cake sales, etc, or being actively involved in arranging events. We are grateful for whatever support you can offer. It really does make a huge difference.

[Include link to mailing list google form](#)

Easy ways to help raise funds

[Your School Lottery](#) - 40% from each £1 ticket purchased goes directly to support our PTA. Each week there will be a winner from our East Boldon Schools PTA lottery and there's an extra chance to win the £25,000 My School Lottery jackpot each month. It's really easy to set up, and every week you will know you are supporting the schools without having to lift a finger.

[Easyfundraising](#) - add the app to your phone/tablet, choose East Boldon Schools PTA as your cause, then simply access all your favourite shops, such as M&S, Boots, Tesco, booking.com and many more. A small % is donated to the school without any cost to you. You can install a donation reminder which will pop up on any participating online retailer's website to make giving even easier.

[Amazon Smile East Boldon Schools PTA](#) - if you use Amazon Smile and register with East Boldon Schools PTA, your purchases will generate a donation to the PTA without any cost to you.

[Stikins - Name Labels For Uniform](#) - Stikins is a brand-leader for multipurpose stick-on name labels, suitable for all kinds of school items. Never lose your children's belongings again! Use this fundraising code when ordering, **6426**, and a donation will be made to the PTA.

[My Name Tags - Name Labels For Uniform](#) - My Name Tags is another brand-leader for multipurpose stick-on name labels, suitable for all kinds of school items. Never lose your children's belongings again! Use this fundraising code when ordering, **20993**, and a donation will be made to the PTA.

Can your organisation or employer offer 'match-funding' for your contributions?

Matched funding enables the PTA to boost the income raised at school fundraising events. It helped raise over £2000 in 21/22! Many large companies operate a scheme where they will 'match' charity fundraising or donations undertaken by their employees. These organisations set aside millions of pounds to fund such schemes and are happy to support their staff in raising money for charities. The amounts donated can range from a small amount to £1000+ per employee per event.

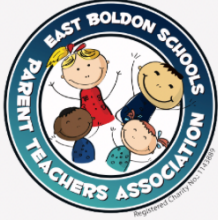
As East Boldon Schools PTA is a registered charity, we are in a position to benefit from your involvement, however big or small, at any fundraising school event. Your participation might be, for example, manning a stall, helping to sell raffle tickets or help setting up and clearing away. All qualify as 'assisting with fundraising'. Many employers can match your charity donations – which could double the income to our appeal.

If your employer offers a match-funding scheme, please [email us](#) to see how we comply with their requirements.

Fundraising aims and outcomes

These are some of our fundraising aims for 22/23 and beyond:

- Infant School - Replacement of existing shelter with outdoor classroom (longterm goal)
- Infant School - Sensory Room (to complement existing resources room)
- Infant School - Replace playground furniture (benches etc)
- Infant School - Additional books for reading across school
- Junior School - Additions to the outdoor play provision
- Infants & Juniors - To fund fire pit sessions for all children
- To continue to fund adhoc requests as they are received



East Boldon Schools PTA 2021/22 Fundraising

Christmas Cards

Our annual Christmas cards, tee towels, wrapping paper, tote bags and mug were as popular as ever last year.

Lots of amazing designs and I'm sure happy family members and friends when they received their gifts.

This scheme raised £858 and was well worth the hard work organising processing the order forms and sorting the physical orders from the schools office staff and committee alike.

Discos

Running school discos and similar events raised just over £2270. The kids loved their Halloween, Valentines and Summer discos (in school time for Infants and out for Juniors)

We loved running them!!

External Grants & Match Funding

We work hard to look for external funding and have been successful in several last year!

The Cleadon District Rotary Club granted us just under £1000 which paid the difference from what we had fundraised for in 20/21 and allowed us to purchase the defibrillator sited outside the Infant School. They also funded a large donation towards the Juniors Book Vending Machine.

We've also been successful in two £500 grants from Asda, one of which part paid the Winter Warmer firepit sessions for all the children and kept costs to parents low.

We have also been lucky enough to receive match funding payments, where a parent works for a firm who offers this. Please please check with your employer to see if they run this scheme, as its an easy way to boost our funds.

Lottery

Your School Lottery raised a smidge under £2000 which was absolutely amazing! Signing up is easy, just go to Your School Lottery and search East Boldon Schools PTA. Anyone can join, so let your friends and family know too.

There's a cash prize every week for someone in our school lottery!

Funded in 21/22

x7 iPads @ EB Infants
Reception Waterproofs
Reading Shed @ Infants
Donation to Garden & Reception
Yards Improvements
Book Vending Machine @ EB Juniors
Winter Warmer Firepit Sessions
at both schools
Christmas Show @ EB Juniors
with lots left in the pot, but
an even bigger wish list

Raffles

We hosted two raffles last year, a Xmas and an Easter raffle.

As always the school community supported us, and we raised £1181 between them.

Huge thanks has to go to all the local businesses who donate each year!

Sports Day Tuck Shop & Tombola

Sports Day was a bit different this year, and the weather changed it further.

At the Infants we ran our Tombola (which we had been due to run at the Juniors Picnic which was cancelled). This raised us £253 and lots of people left happy, clinking as they went with wine bottles.

At the Juniors we attended with our tuck shop, with drinks and cake. It was quieter this year, possibly because it was in the afternoon, but still worth us coming along, raising £250.

Smarties Challenge

Last year saw the return of the Smarties Challenge! A generous parent paid for the Smarties and related costs (we made sure we had chocolate suitable for allergies etc).

We're sure the children enjoyed their smarties and we were blown away when the Smarties challenge raised 973.96! An outstanding figure, which made a trip to the post office to bank it very interesting :)

Xmas Stocking Fillers

Last year our committee were hard at work, like little Xmas elves. We produced and sold Xmas bracelets, Reindeer hot choc and Santa marshmallow cones, chocolate stirrers and reindeer dust.

This contributed just under £590 to this years fundraising, and hopefully brought some smiles to our pupils faces on Xmas Eve & Day.

Everything we do wouldn't be possible without the support of all school staff, which includes the office staff, kitchen staff and even the old caretaker from the Juniors (DJ Windle is much loved by the children at the discos!) and of course all the parents and family members on the committee .

We would love to have some new faces join us, so please get in contact if you have some time to help make our schools a better place, and give our children the best experience possible! Our email is eastboldonschoolspta@gmail.com or find us on Facebook

PTA Committee

Our PTA Committee is made up of volunteers who oversee the running of the charity. Elected positions and the headteachers are trustees of the charity.

Chair: Rebecca Higgins

Deputy Chair: Danielle Kirkbride

Secretary: Kerstein Morgan

Treasurer: Ailsa Harley-Reid

Other Trustees : Lisa Holt and Tim Shenton (Head Teacher of each school)

Volunteers : Rachael Tobin, Gemma Thomas (Junior School rep), Jane O'Donnell, Sara Murphy, Toni Pye, Gaynor Taskas, Jo Cox, Natasha Charlton, Nicola Linkleter, Jane Wray, Hannah Ellwood Cullen & Georgia Jameson

New committee members are always welcome, as are people who don't want to attend the meetings but are willing to help in various ways throughout the year.

We have open meetings which we aim to have once a term in person. Everyone is very welcome to join and there is also an AGM held in September each year.

East Boldon Schools PTA is a registered charity with the Charity Commission - No. 1143889

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