



**Graham James
Primary Academy**

PTA News

The purpose of the PTA is to raise funds to benefit all the children at our school. In order to do this, the PTA plan fundraising events throughout the year. However due to the current situation, we are unable to hold many of our events. Please see below for ways in which you can support the PTA in the coming weeks and months...

Welcome to our Reception Starters of 2020

As new Graham James parents and guardians, we welcome you and hope that your children have settled. On your child's first day, you should have received a little welcome treat from the PTA. We hope that it helped you with the transition!

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to support your PTA. We are a small group of parents and are always looking for more volunteers. Many of our members work and we are aware that not all parents are able to commit to regular meetings. However there is so much more that you can do to get involved! Do you have any talents that may benefit future fundraising or just simply have an hour to spare?

* Can you design posters?

* Can you source raffle prizes / external funding?

* Could you be a savvy shopper for our secret shops?

Please drop us a message if you're interested in finding out more... grahamjamespta@yahoo.com

What We Are Raising Money For...

- Book contribution to school library
- Book Bags and Bottles for all Reception children.
- Bags for Year 5 Swattenden residential.
- A donation towards the Year 6 Leavers Party.
- Chocolates for the children to win at the Easter & Christmas raffles.

We want to hear from you! Please place ideas for fundraising events and ways to spend the raised funds to improve the school as well as any feedback on previous events in our P.T.A Post Box in the school reception. We can't make any promises but will consider everything!

Rainbow Relay

Thank you to all the children and parents that took part in our Rainbow Relay around Stanford & Corringham back in August!

You raised an amazing £655!

Well done!



The PTA has set up a wish list on behalf of the school with various items, including books, needed for the school during these current times where many items need to be isolated for 72 hours. Keep checking the link below for new items added to the school wishlist:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/HNVDFVYE D9SS?ref =wl_share



Our next meeting is our AGM where new members are invited along to vote on a new committee. This year we will be doing this via Zoom on Wednesday 14th October 2020 at 8pm.

Meeting ID:
936 0429 6756.

Everyone's welcome!

Please support the PTA to support our school

Our donation bin is open again! Please continue to donate your unwanted items. A team of volunteers check through all donations to ensure they are suitable. Please ensure you are only donating listed items...we do not want dirty, stained, ripped or damaged items – these donations are for resale elsewhere! Please check your donations and place them in bags before dropping them into our bin!

Preloved to Reloved (Clothes Bin)

Items we can take are:

- * Clean and undamaged clothing
- * Paired shoes and trainers
- * Console games and souvenirs
- * Handbags, belts, hats, accessories
- * Jewellery, toiletries, perfumes
- * Bedlinen, towels.

We cannot accept the following:

- * Bric-a-brac, single shoes
- * Soft toys, games.
- * Mats, carpets, pillows
- * Blankets, curtains
- * Dirty, damaged, wet clothes

Thank you for all of your donations!



A fantastic collection from the Preloved to Reloved bin this week, adding a huge £666.90 to the PTA funds to continue supporting the school. A massive thank you to everyone who has donated since the last collection. We really couldn't do it without everyone's kind donations so please keep them coming! We have another collection in November so donate your unwanted items in the clothes bin at the front of the school now!

EasyFundraising

If you shop online, then your spending can raise money for the school at no extra cost to you.

The PTA has registered with EasyFundraising to raise funds every time you shop online.

So far our parents have raised a total of £310.52. Thank you to everyone who has signed up!

Remember it doesn't cost you a penny!

Book your holiday with Jules (a Grandparent at the school) and raise funds for the school



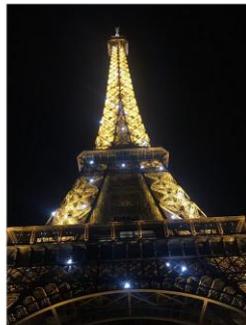
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10% of all commission goes towards your PTA fund - Simple as that

- My personal service to you - You will only ever deal with me and at a time that suits you, no call centres or hold music to deal with, just me, before, during and after your holiday.
- Value for money - My services are free so there's nothing to lose,
- Travel Expertise - Travel knowledge that you can trust, I have built relationships with many suppliers and in turn this will benefit you as my customer.
- Holiday Options - I have access to hotels & room types that aren't always available online and I book all the brand names that you know & love but with myself as your contact
- I can tailor make anything you require, then package and protect it for your total peace of mind
- Overall experience - I can research and add on anything you wish with research and planning as my speciality including restaurant reservations, tickets for shows or sporting events

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€20 Million raised

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100,000 causes

Keep up to date on the PTA events and news by looking at the noticeboard at the front of the school footpath and visiting our Facebook Page!



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