Welcome to Maharishi School Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA)



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Welcome to your PTFA

All parents, guardians, carers, teachers and friends of Maharishi school are automatically a member. It's your association.

What is the PTFA?

The Parent Teacher and Friends Association is an open community of parent volunteers working alongside the school/teachers/and other "friends" to benefit the school and ensure the best educational experience for all its pupils.

The PTFA is a small charity that is totally independent from the school.

We are our own separate legal entity.



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How does the PTFA benefit the school? Parents, care givers and teachers have a big impact on how well the children do at school. Taking an active role in your PTFA is one of the ways you can make a difference and get involved:

- We raise money to fund school initiatives through charity activities and events
- We provide a social support network for parents
- We provide a forum for parents to have a say
- We provide volunteers and opportunities so that parents can support their child's learning.
- We provide opportunities for teachers to advise on their wishes for items for the school and children's education.

Successes: Our PTFA's social decorating days have recently achieved:

















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Coming up: Our goals for the new academic year:

•Target: To raise funds for improvements in the playgrounds at both sites.

- Acquire more Play Equipment
- Work with Teachers, Parents and children to see what things they wish to see around the school
- Help with fun days out for all children, teachers and Parents.

•Event - Summer Fayre – 28th June 2024 @ 3.30PM – 6.00PM

• As much hands on assistance as possible helping set up stalls, run stalls and clean up at the end



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Event Ideas going forward:



- Teddy Bears picnic Social Event
- Bingo Nights
- Quiz nights
- Beach Days
- Football Days
- School to School Treasure Hunts
- Disco's
- Dance Day's
- Silent Auctions
- PTFA Nights out
- Craft Fair
- Car Wash
- Tough Mudder Challenge
- BBQ Events
- Duck Race Fundraisers
- Circus Events
- Eco Friendly Events
- Foodie Events
- Music Festival Events

- Sponsored Bike Rides
- Sponsored Walk
- Other sponsored events
- School Leaver Events
- Sporty Fundraisers
- Harvest Festivals
- Winter Fayres
- Christmas Community Days
- Pancake Days
- Easter Egg Hunts
- Car Boot Sales
- Art Auctions
- Plant Sales
- Read-a-thon
- Sponsored Litter Pick
- Film Events
- Board Game Competitions
- + Many More!!

Some common questions



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"How can my skills be useful?"

Although a warm welcome is great, there's more to PTFA activities than home baking and serving tea:

- Any parent, teacher or friend can be a member, and ever person has skills to bring:
 - graphic design
 - gardening;
 - Events management
 - Wrapping up lucky dip gifts
 - Handing out flyers!
 - Making cups of tea!
- Could you help? Yes everyone can help!
 - IT'S EVERYONE'S SCHOOL AND EVERYONE'S PTFA





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"How much time can I commit?"

- Some of our most active mums and dads work full-time, or have other commitments
- Our teachers are very busy with day to day school tasks
- If your child has younger siblings, the PTFA is a great way to familiarise them with their future school
- We all have lives away from school, and it's OK to say "no"
- Examples of how you can commit, either at an event or behind the scenes, include:
 - □ sort secondhand uniform
 - □ contribute to termly newsletter
 - □ promote fundraising
 - □ help with particular event
 - Help at social decorating days



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We Need You!

we can't do this without the support of parents, teachers, family and friends.

Stay in touch

 For info on activities and events, see our facebook Group Maharishi School PTFA

https://www.facebook.com/share/ru9Gn6HQ3dvYn2Gg/

- Or drop a line to us directly:
 - □ Chair Lisa Smith <u>lisasmithptfa@gmail.com</u>
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Join our Watsapp group

https://chat.whatsapp.com/GmjmazKejMJD2NDQIYBU5U

Join our Classlists:

https://classlist.page.link/AgCryZ9LckENciHY6





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Any questions?



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