

Monkton CEP School PTA - January 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

First and foremost, I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and I hope 2024 has started well for you and your family. I thought it would be a great opportunity to tell you more about the purpose of the Monkton CEP School PTA, how the PTA is formed and works and our events for the remainder of this academic year.

For the past couple of years, the PTA has been quietly active organising a couple of events a year. This was partly due to the covid pandemic, PTA members stepping down due to their children moving on to secondary school and a low number of volunteers to assist.

In 2024 we plan to be a much more active PTA by holding more events throughout the year to raise funds which the school can use to offset the cost of school trips for parents. The school views these trips as an opportunity to supplement and enhance the children's learning through new experiences.

As a PTA we do not hold roles such as chairman, treasurer, secretary etc... We are just a small group of parents that come together a couple of times a year to discuss ideas and help out where we can. There is no commitment to attend all events, it's purely an as and when you can basis.

The current volunteers have children ranging from year 1 through to year 6 and we would love to have some additional parent volunteers particularly from our younger years.

With a limited number of events last year the PTA raised £1,136.91 and some of this money went towards ice creams on a school trip for our younger pupils, workshops in school for all and reduced costs for coach trips further afield.

We have some great fundraising events planned but we really do need more support to make these happen. Below we have a list of the events planned, if you would like to be part of the volunteer team and assist at an event, or if you work in a business which may be able to support us by way of donations for an event, please do get in touch via emailing:

monktonpta@gmail.com

Friday 02 February: 3.15 – 5.00pm Film Night

Friday 01 March: Pre loved World Book Day costumes and props sale

Thursday 07 March: World Book Day Chocolate sale with winning tickets

Friday 22 March: Easter Disco 4.30 – 5.45pm

Friday 26 April: Family Bingo Evening 5.30 – 7pm

Friday 10 May: Cake Bake Sale

Friday 24 May: Rainbow Raffle

Friday 14 June: Parent Quiz Night

Summer Disco: Date TBC June/July

Ice Pole Fridays will resume in June

We are very much looking forward to the year ahead and some fun times for both the children and parents, Best wishes Melanie and the PTA Team