

PTFA NEWSLETTER



WELCOME!

We are Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) of Comberton Primary School. Our PTFA was formed by a few enthusiastic school parents in January 2024. Since then it has grown and continues to develop

The PTFA is an open community of volunteers working alongside the school and teachers to benefit the school and to ensure the best educational experience for all.

Parents and carers at Comberton Primary school are automatically a member now that your child has enrolled in the school. *It's your association.* If you would like to see the PTFA policies and constitution you can find them on the PTFA page on the [school website](#).

So far we've raised **£1,586.04**. All funds are spent on activities, equipment or experiences for the Comberton Primary School Pupil Community.

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EARLY YEARS SHED APPEAL

Shed donation by FOREST FENCING

The PTFA team are very grateful to FOREST FENCING for donating an ex-display shed for the Early Years Garden. Funds raised from events were able to pay for professional assembly of the new shed. The team met on a Sunday morning during the summer holidays to dismantle the old rotten shed and clear the ground. Thanks to all that helped make this happen.



VALENTINES DISCO

Student led initiative

Our first school discos were a great success with an excellent turn out and the year 6 pupils enjoyed the event so much they requested we arrange the Year 6 Leavers Disco in July; the children had a great send off and enjoyed a delicious party buffet.



FILM NIGHT

Early years event

The children enjoyed watching Smeds and Smoos on the big screen with their pillows and teddies which they brought along from home. After the film they were served squash and sweets.



UNIFORM SALE

Items priced at 50p

If you require a specific item of school uniform or if you would like to donate anything, please email us. We've sold uniform at both the Easter and Summer fair.



DRESS UP DAYS

Crazy Hair and Red & White day

The children had great fun being creative on both of these 50p fundraising days. The winners of the £10 Smyths vouchers were chuffed with their prizes!

SUMMER FAIR

Hotdogs and popcorn

During the Summer Fair the PTFA held their first Food Stall selling hot dogs and popcorn which flew off the stall! The food stall was run in addition to the uniform sale.



WELCOME MORNING

First day drop in - Sept 4th

It was lovely to welcome new parents to the school. We hope your children have settled in well to school life.



HOW CAN YOU HELP THE PTFA

ALL HELP WELCOME

Any parent can be a member, and every parent has skills to bring, from graphic design to gardening; from events management to balancing the books; and even wrapping up lucky dip gifts to handing out flyers! Some of our most active mums and dads work full-time or have other commitments.

Examples of how you can help, either at an event or behind the scenes, include:

- Sorting out second-hand uniform
- contribute to termly newsletter
- supervise at a particular event [summer fair / film nights]
- contacting local businesses for sponsorship and donations



ASDA CASH FOR SCHOOLS

Support as you shop

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs – have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose Comberton Primary School and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024.

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTFA. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started. The supermarket has joined forces with Joe Wicks to support the initiative – look out for the TV advert, radio ads and social media coverage. Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most, such as sporting equipment.

★ UPCOMING EVENTS ★

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Y1&2 – 3.15pm until 4.15pm
Y3&4 – 4.30pm until 5.30pm
Y5&6 – 5.45pm until 6.45pm

Thursday 24th October – £3 per child

Payable via Parent Pay, this includes refreshments. We hope to see lots of spooky costumes!

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Nursery/Reception – Julia Donaldson's – Stickman – 3:15pm – 4:15pm
Year 1 and 2 – Netflix – Alien Xmas – 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Thursday 5th December – £3 per child

We're holding a Christmas Film Night on Thursday 5th December for our Nursery and Reception pupils and Year 1 and 2 in two sessions in the school hall. The cost will be £3 to be paid via ParentPay and will include refreshments.

SENSORY GARDEN

Active fundraising program

The school are keen to develop a sensory garden on the site of the old Year 5 mobiles. The PTFA are actively fundraising, bidding and applying for grants to help raise the funds required and the team met with the School Council for design ideas.

PANTOMIME TRIP

Date TBC – Volunteers needed!

The PTFA team are really enthusiastic about raising the funds to make a school pantomime trip to the Theatre a possibility. We are working hard to fundraise during this academic year to hopefully achieve this goal.

The success of the PTFA relies on the generosity and contribution of volunteer's time. If you can help in anyway the PTFA hold termly meetings to discuss and arrange events. If you have fundraising ideas or suggestions of how PTFA funds should be spent, please let us know. To get involved please email our friendly team at PTFA@comberton.worcs.sch.uk

Many thanks for reading,

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Chair