

# ALDERSBROOK PTA NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2023

## Spring Term PTA Events

For what's felt like a short term, it's been a busy one for the PTA raising around £2850 for the school.

### Hair Raisers

We held our first Hair Raisers event at the start of March. Not only did we discover some natural talent amongst these absolute beginners, but we greatly enjoyed seeing more parents get to know each other. Feedback on the event was so positive that we have arranged a further beginners class as well as an intermediate class, next term.



### PTQ&A Quiz Night

Our sold out inaugural quiz night took Aldersbrook by storm, whipping contestants into a competitive frenzy. It was thirsty work and healthy trade at the bar helped the event make approx.

£800 in total. There must be scores to settle as we've already been asked when the next quiz will be. Watch this space.



### Break The Rules Day

As always, the pupils showed great enthusiasm and flare for rule breaking and the school raised a whopping £1,300. Although this is a PTA event, the school does all the hard work - Thank you!

### Monthly Cake Sale

The cake sale continues to be held on the last Friday of the month to the delight of its riotous customers. The sale has raised approx. £750 this term. The sale relies on families donating cakes (bought or homemade, it's all welcome!) so we are grateful for your ongoing support and donations.



## SUMMER PTA EVENTS

**CAKE SALE** - 28th April

**WYNL NIGHT** - 4th May

**SPRING DISCO** - 5th May

**OPEN PTA MEETING** - 17th May

**COMMUNITY DAY** - 20th May

**HAIR RAISERS** - 23rd May (TBC)

**5p RACE** - 26th May

**CAKE SALE** - 26th May

**HAIR RAISERS** - 20th June (TBC)

**CAKE SALE** - 30th June

**SUMMER FAIR** - 8th July

All upcoming events can be found on the PTA section of the school website [here](#).

## How the PTA is supporting the school

The school has been busy spending PTA funds on things that as many pupils as possible can enjoy. This term, for example, we've funded a set of new computers for all classes to access, replenished the library bus with new books, purchased new equipment for forest school and repaired the climbing wall. You may have also noticed the vibrant new playground markings.



## The Summer Fair

As always, to continue to support the school **WE NEED YOUR HELP...** and there are plenty of ways to get involved with the PTA this coming term with a packed schedule of community and fundraising events, culminating in the end of year Summer Fair in July.

We were blown away by the talent showcased at last year's talent show so have decided to build on that theme with a festival theme for the fair.

In response to a suggestion from a parent, we are looking to form a committee of volunteers to help plan and/or run the Summer Fair. This event is the biggest of the school year and it simply doesn't happen without people getting involved and, for example giving their time to help plan the event, and/ or volunteering on the day.

We are intending to **kick off planning with a meeting on Wednesday 26th April at 7:30pm.** We hope this meeting will be a chance for us to come together, share ideas and draw up a list of jobs/seek out skills and contacts. We need help organising everything from manning the inflatables to searching for raffle prize donations, finding food vendors and sourcing a PA system!

The summer fair raises a huge amount of money for the school, but it is as much about bringing our community together for some fun at the end of a long school year.



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## Upcoming Events

We will be plugging the upcoming Winyl in earnest after Easter. Tickets are limited so get yours [here now](#).

Tickets for the Spring Disco will be available to buy [online](#) from Tuesday 18th April. Tickets are £3 and include popcorn and a drink.



## Community Day 2023

This year's Community Day will be on Saturday 20th May. If you've never taken part before, this is an opportunity to come together with other families to help look after the school by offering your labour. There are usually various fixing, mending, decorating and gardening jobs on offer.

It's a lot more fun than it sounds and all help is welcome!

## Easy Fundraisingorg.uk

By signing up to [easyfundraising](#) you can help fundraise for the school when you shop, and even when you book holidays. Go to the website or download the app and simply set Aldersbrook School PTA as your preferred cause. When you shop via [easyfundraising](#) the PTA gets a percentage of the purchase value at no cost to you. It's incredibly simple and brings in great money for the PTA, all of which is invested back into the school.

## HOW TO CONTACT US



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You can also join the PTA WhatsApp (it's not very busy, don't worry!) using this link, or grab one of us in the playground to chat.

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