

#### Academic Year 2022/2023 Issue

# Welcome to our first newsletter detailing events held in the past school year and how our money has been spent to benefit our children. We'd like to thank all of our valuable volunteers for using their time and energy to help raise these funds which will

**Aughton St Michael's** 

**CE School PTFA** 

You will find more detail below in this newsletter.

make a massive difference to our children.

#### **Events Held This School Year**

Dec: Christmas Disco/Breakfast with Santa

Feb: Valentines Disco/Tuck Shop Mar: Mothering Sunday Gift Room April: Easter Egg hunt funded

May: Royal Tea Party

June: Ice Creams/ Father Figure Gift Room

July: Ice Creams/Quiz

Other: Amazon Smile/EasyFundraising

# Can you help?

We always need willing volunteers who can spend some of their time to help us lead or run events. The more hands we have the better to share the load!





#### A Word from our Headteacher

Firstly, I would like to say a massive thank you to all the parents who have given their time, expertise and effort to the PTFA this year. When you look back to the first meeting we had in September to what we have now, the changes are massive and the PTFA has had a new lease of life. Because of these changes, we have been able to provide the children, and adults, with some brilliant events which they will remember long past their time at our school. In addition, we can now plan how we could use this money to support the learning and fun factor at school. We have loads of ideas how we could do this and hopefully you'll all be able to join us in September to help us work out what to do next! Thank you again for all your support this year and have a great summer.

## What our volunteers say....

- "I love seeing the children's faces when they bring their gifts to wrap in the gift room wrapping days"
- "I enjoy getting involved in fun activities where I can meet other people and at the same time raise valuable funds for the school which help my children"
- "It takes a lot of hard work in the background but it is so worth it to see the looks on the children's faces. Breakfast with Santa seeing the whole school in one room all enjoying the same event all joining in with the festivities was a particular highlight for me"



### Thank you to our Volunteers

We wanted to say a huge thank you to our fabulous volunteers who give up their time to run the events we hold. Any time dedicated, no matter how large or small, is a massive help and greatly appreciated. In particular, we'd like to thank Lynn, Amy, Jenny, Leigh, Viv and Rachel for leading the events this past year, without our event leads they would not happen so a big thank you!

#### **FUNDRAISING UPDATE**

By the end of the school year we hope to have raised in excess of £3,500 from our various events and match funding.

Thank you to all who have taken part and contributed!

At Easter the PTFA funded an Easter Egg hunt at the school organised and led by Mr Clare. This event was enjoyed by all of the children and we hope to be able to fund future events for all of the children to enjoy alongside our usual money raising events.

# What will the funds raised be spent on?

So far this year funds have been spent on various areas in school which benefit our children. See below:

- Music: new equipment was desperately needed and has been purchased. This includes new glockenspiels, recorders and ukuleles. An element of funds also go towards music licencing which is needed and helps the school play songs etc that are needed for the children's various lessons and assemblies.
- There are further plans for our funds to be spent based on requirements into next school year. These will be discussed by the PTFA AGM in September.

The PTFA had originally planned to use the vast majority of funds raised this year to repair/replace the outdoor play equipment on the school field but following a generous donation of both time and funds from a parent this has been completed without the use of PTFA funds. At the AGM ideas will be presented for how we should use this money.

#### JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING

#### **Date TBC in September**

We will send out a message to confirm the date

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