

Back to School with Astbury St. Mary's PFA

A warm welcome to the 2019-2020 school year at Astbury St. Mary's Primary School. Especially to parents and carers of new children who now automatically become part of the Parents and Friends Association community. The PFA has already started planning fundraising events for the year ahead to enable enrichment activities for the pupils. Please read on to find out about the opportunities the PFA have planned for the autumn term, and how you can help to support our school...

Join the PFA



Your children's PFA need you!

The PFA lost some long standing, and valued active members at the end of last term.

We now need new active members, to help organise and run our events. Parental support is vital to fundraising and we need YOUR help please!

Fundraising News

The PFA are delighted to announce that last year our small school raised **£2,029.55** which funded a range of activities and equipment for the children. For example...



£100 to each class for small learning resources/books (prior to this the teachers were generously buying things out of their own funds)



Resources to support 'Hindu day' which allowed the children to learn about another faith.



Subsidised school trips such as the year 6 trip to Astbury Mere Water Sports (Peak Pursuits) where they developed team skills whilst raft- building and kayaking.

Pantomime – West End in Schools theatre company will be bringing Aladdin to Astbury on 12th December 2019 (the booking deposit was paid last term)
www.westendinschools.org.uk



Scientific calculators- leaving gifts for year 6. We will also purchase 2 new, much needed whiteboards for the classrooms very soon.

None of this would have been possible without the generous support of the Parents and Friends of Astbury School. A truly heartfelt thank you to you all for supporting last years events such as the school fair, KS2 summer performance of 'Hoodwinked' and the fun run & summer BBQ. Not only did we raise vital funds due to your generosity, it was great fun too!



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The PFA committee would like to say a very big thank you to all parents, carers, staff, governors and grandparents who went the extra mile to support Astbury school last academic year. You were incredible, and we appreciate the help you gave along the way.

THANK YOU!

Do you shop at Astbury Meadow Garden Centre?

Astbury school has a reward points card at the garden centre. 5 points are awarded for every £1 spent. It is also valid for food purchases in the café. The Eco-club are grateful for any support.

Second Hand Uniform Sale Coming Soon!

All monies raised go to PFA (school). Keep an eye on the school newsletter for confirmation of the date and time.

AGM and Welcome Meeting

Date:
Tuesday 15th October

Venue:
The Castle Inn Pub

Time: 7:30pm
Everyone is welcome.

This is your chance to stay informed and get involved.

There will be a Chair's report, Treasurer's report and election of committee members for the coming year.

Piano Fund

The piano in the school hall is old and had to undergo an ad-hoc repair following the KS2 summer performance last term.

The school choir and children having piano lessons, are in need of a sound instrument, so we are searching/fundraising for a replacement.

Is this something you could help with? If so, please let the school office or Head know.

Autumn Term Events

If we have enough volunteers we plan to have:
School Disco in October
Christmas Fair –Friday 29th November 2019

Christmas raffle (any donations of prizes gratefully received)
Christmas movie night

These events rely on the participation and commitment of parents so please feel free to put yourselves forward to help



Join Our Facebook Group!

Receive updates and reminders of upcoming events. It is a closed group so please ask a PFA member to invite you.