



GUISELEY
SCHOOL

A THINKING SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

There has never been a better or more important time to support your PTA.

School funding and falling budgets are hot topics at the moment and you may be wondering how you can help your school.

Meeting challenges together

While the government is being confronted to address the funding challenges, parents are not powerless to assist their school. We strongly believe that by working in partnership the school and parents we can make a positive difference and raise money to help secure the best educational experiences for our children.

Did you know that last few years, your PTA raised over £10,000 through fundraising, which paid for a wide array of things, such as a piano fit for pupils to use for exams, refurbishing the weights rooms, providing lighting and staging to help with drama and music, scientific and engineering specialist equipment, up-to-date language kit and much more. As well as this, PTA members have helped secure better IT equipment and other help for the school using their contacts and skills.

The good news is, everything Guiseley School PTA raises goes directly to providing for the school, and, in consultation with staff, parents have a say on where and how the money is spent.

Get involved

You can make a real difference! More parents involved with their PTA means more money raised through more fun events, benefitting everyone.

What value does your PTA already bring to school?

- **Fundraising** – whether it's paying for extras or essentials, every penny directly benefits our children
- **Fun** – our events are enjoyed by children, parents and teachers alike, and are a great way to bring the whole school community closer together
- **Parent voice** – discussing where PTA money is spent, talking to teaching staff and everything in between contributes to school decision-making.

Join us

There are many ways you can offer your talents and be part of the conversation. If you would like to chat about how you can volunteer for your PTA and be a force for good in Guiseley School – however much or little time you can spare – please get in touch with Phil Morcom or Tina Cartwright at



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pta@guiseleyschool.org.uk or through the school reception. Be certain that your help will be greatly appreciated and will make a big difference.

The meetings planned for the start of term this year will be on

- Tues 18 September 2018
- Thurs 11 January 2019
- Tues 30 April 2019

Meetings normally start at 6.30pm and are held in the school library. We aim to have further, less formal meetings to plan and organise fundraising - usually outside the school - and we will also have other joint meetings for parents, carers and the school as part of the wider school engagement work.

Kind regards

Phil Morcom and Tina Cartwright
PTA Chair & PTA Secretary