



Dear Parents and Carers of Reception Class 2023,

We'd like to welcome you and your child to St Michael's School and give you a little bit of information about what your active PTA is.

Everyone associated with the school as a parent or carer is a member of the PTA whether you choose to get involved or not. Those who are more involved have the opportunity to help influence their children's school by having an active voice in organising events throughout the academic calendar.

Over the last few years, we have raised over £40,000. We now have a beautiful all-weather running track for our children to run their daily mile upon, a fantastic interactive rain garden, new books for the reading libraries in all classrooms and suitable IT for teaching staff and children alike. We have also most recently raised the money for Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) equipment.

We have organised several fun (and profitable) events for adults as well as the children. There have been Fun Runs, Burns Night Ceilidh, School Quiz, Popcorn Club, School Disco, Wreath Making and a Christmas Fair. In addition, we raise money through other channels such as the Giving Machine, the Coop community fund, supermarket token schemes and our School Lottery to name a few.

Our next event will be the Summer Fair on Friday 16th June from 4.30pm and we'd love for you to join us. It's a great opportunity to meet the wider school community. We post details of all PTA events on the school website and Facebook page, so please do keep an eye out for updates.

Getting involved can mean anything you want it to, from supporting our school in the school lottery, to having a good fundraising idea and sharing it or baking a cake and hosting a coffee morning. Without new volunteers we wouldn't be able to make so many wonderful things happen. Meetings are held every 6 weeks or so to plan for events and fundraising activities, and to make sure everyone has the support they need to make things happen. We'd love to see you at a meeting. Dates are posted in the school diary, the website and Facebook page.

For more information, or to say hi email us at aldbournepta@gmail.com

Best wishes,
Michelle

Chair of St Michael's Aldbourne PTA