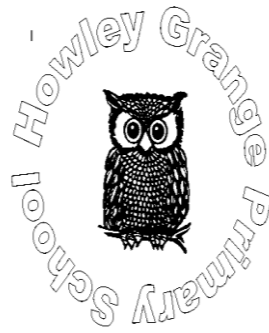


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Dear Parents

On behalf of the PTA, may we welcome you and your child(ren) to Howley Grange Primary School. We are a voluntary group of parents and teachers who organise events throughout the year to raise funds for extra resources and activities beyond the school budget. The money we raise is allocated in consultation with Mr James and the school staff so that all the children from Reception through to Year 6 benefit. We have recently paid for new laptops and Picnic benches for the children, contributed to large projects such as the Trim Trail and the brand new library, provide money for extra classroom resources and play equipment, and aim to have a lot of fun in the process! We also put together working parties for practical projects around the school to help out from time to time.

Each year we have some events for the whole family, some just for adults and some just for children. Some events are purely sociable and not for profit, aiming to promote a sense of community within the school. Our major annual fund-raiser is the Summer Fete, usually in June, at which this year we were delighted to have raised nearly £5,500, thanks to the fantastic support we received from the parents and friends of the school.

We meet two or three times each term to plan and organise our fund-raising, and new members are always welcome. There is no pressure to attend meetings, to commit hours of your precious free time or to do anything more than find out what's going on and how we work. We appreciate new ideas and suggestions for both fund-raising, and ways in which the money can be re-invested into the school. We have a few events lined up for this term already – the Family Disco, Santa's Breakfast for Reception to Year 2 children and our annual Christmas Hamper raffle (Volunteers to help out are always welcomed!).

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7.00pm** in school. If you would like to attend you would be made very welcome, tea and coffee will be available (there may even be a Jaffa Cake or two!). Just come to the main entrance and someone will be on hand to meet you.

We look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Yours sincerely

Nicki Bolton & Zillah Williams  
PTA Joint Chair