

## Stoborough CE VA Primary School PTFA News Letter

### Spring Term

Hello everyone, I hope you are looking forward to the summer as much as Jo and I, the winter has seemed too long.

As Parents and Carers of a Stoborough School pupil, you are automatically a member of the PTFA, and your comments, suggestions, feedback, support and even constructive criticism are all equally welcome.

We are looking forward to a year of FUN fundraising so any offer to help however small will be welcome.

The PTFA is here to raise funds for the school in the most fun and inclusive ways possible, in ways that we hope will be seen as worthwhile and rewarding for everyone taking part, so your thoughts and feedback about past and future events would be helpful.

We have had a busy start to the year with lots of event ideas coming in (more news on these in the coming weeks) and offers to help, but you can never have too much help, especially as the summer fete gets closer!

We have seen the new constitution lodged with the Charity Commission and several guidance documents adopted aimed at making the running of the PTFA more transparent, including a conflict of interest declaration which will be signed by all trustees, financial checklists and reserves policy, these will be uploaded to the school web site shortly for everyone to view.

There are several items where the school needs financial help from the PTFA, including a new PE shed, books and art equipment, the PTFA shed is also falling apart, so we are looking in to replace these, and the school is part funding the PE shed from its own budget. But more news on that in the coming weeks.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- February 23<sup>rd</sup> Bingo night.  
See school poster.
- March 9<sup>th</sup> Pop-up Mother's Day gift shop.
- July 7<sup>th</sup> Summer Fete.  
More information on the summer Fete to follow.
- There are lots more events being planned so we will be sending out updates and putting up posters.

Before each PTFA meeting I produce the agenda and include items from previous meeting discussions, committee members suggestions and also comments / suggestions from parents, so if you have any suggestions or any ideas, which you feel would benefit from being discussed at the next PTFA meeting, please email me at [frank@ashton.co.uk](mailto:frank@ashton.co.uk).

Our future aims include helping to fund the new computer suite, new books, sports equipment, and the continued upkeep of the swimming pool.

In due course we will be providing more information on fundraising events, suggested spending and how best to manage the funds raised, so if anyone wants to comment on any aspect of how this is all done please send me an email.

I am still working on the format and content of the newsletter, but work keeps getting in the way, as it does! so I hope this short Spring version has been of interest.

Kind Regards

Frank Gratton

PTFA Chair