



SHOBNALL PRIMARY SCHOOL PFA SHOBNALL ROAD, BURTON ON TRENT, STAFFORSHIRE, DE14 2BB

Dear Parents,

This is an introduction to the PFA at Shobnall Primary School. We are a group of parents and teachers who meet once or twice a term to plan events and help raise money for the school. The current PFA of Shobnall Primary has raised £12,000.00 over the last few years. This money has been spent on improving equipment and resources in the school, such as staging and lighting for the school hall, parasols, litter bins, wet weather games, digital cameras and much more. We are currently in the process of purchasing a new sports kit for the school and two sets of netball bibs. The monies are also used to pay for some of the 'extras' that the children enjoy, such as presents from Santa at the Christmas Fayre and also a theatre trip for the whole school.

The PFA is about much more than just fundraising. We also organise family fun events which help provide closer links between home and school, such as our Summer Fayre or Easter Bingo. These events are a great way to bring staff, parents and pupils together socially in support of the school.

Many of the events we hold are now firmly established in the school calendar and are hugely popular with parents, teachers and pupils alike

School Discos

The PFA organise and run a disco each term for KS1 and KS2. We make money by charging a nominal ticket price and selling sweets and refreshments on the night. The discos are always a huge hit with the children! The next school disco will be held **on Friday 18th November**. Further details to follow.

Easter Bingo

An Annual event at our school. We hold the Easter Bingo in our school hall and our 'winners' get to take home yummy easter eggs and chocolates (plus other prizes)! We raise money from bingo ticket sales and refreshments. Many of our prizes for the bingo are donated. A very popular event and a real fun evening.

Christmas and Summer Fayres

We either do a Christmas Fayre or a Summer Fayre. These are both firm favourites and usually bring in lots of money. We have games, stalls, fun activities, refreshments and much more and.....of course, when we have a Christmas Fayre, we have a visit from Santa!

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Fund Raising

New fund raising ideas have included the children designing their own Christmas cards and selling them to parents and 'Bags2School' a re-cycling company who pay us for re-cycling old clothing and bedding,

As you can see there is always something going on and so there is lots to be involved with.

If you wish to see how the monies we raise are spent within the school, please feel free to visit the school website at www.shobnallprimaryschool.co.uk

We try to respond to the children's requests and ideas as it is always great to see them having fun at the events we have organised or see them enjoying a new piece of equipment that the PFA has donated.

Suggested fund raisers for the future are:-

- Quiz Night
- Nearly New School Uniform Shop
- Fashion Show

These are just a few suggestions the PFA came up with but we are always open to new ideas. If you have an idea which you think could raise money for your child's school then please contact a member of the PFA or feel free to come along to our next meeting which will be held on **2nd November 2011 at 3.30pm.**

Nearly New Uniform

With regards to nearly new uniform the PFA are starting a newly new uniform shop where we will be selling quality nearly new uniform. The aim being to offer you the parents quality nearly new uniform and at the same time raise money for the school. We aim to start selling from January, with the sales taking place in the school hall on a Friday afternoon. To allow us to do this we need your donations of school uniform, PE kit etc. You can make your uniform donations to the school office or to any PFA member.

Who are the current PFA Members?

Again, this information is listed on the school website on the Parents and Friends Tab but a brief overview of the committee members is:-

Paul Burton	Committee Member (Assistant Chairperson)
Mel Dixon	Chairperson and Secretary
Caroline Frost	Committee Member (Assistant Treasurer)
Julie Johnson	Committee Member
Jane Lakin	Committee Member
Mandy Matthews	Committee Member
Andrew Parr	Committee Member (Assistant Secretary)
Alex Redfearn	Treasurer
Liz Slinn	Committee Member

Teaching Staff:- Mr Cruise; Mrs Roberts; Mrs Roobottom

We appreciate that not everyone can attend the PFA meetings due to other commitments. We do however, always need parent volunteers to assist at our fund raising events. If you can offer your services and are happy for us to place you on our PFA volunteer contact list please complete the slip below and return to the office marked for the attention of the PFA. We will always contact you prior to each event to ensure that you are able to assist.

We thank you for your continued support.

Mel Dixon
On behalf of the PFA

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FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PFA.

Name Parent of Year

Contact Numbers:

Home Mobile