

Westbrook Lane PTA - Newsletter May 2018



The PTA firstly want to use this opportunity to thank you all for your support over the last year. We have raised a huge amount to help support the school & enrich the learning experiences for all our children. We have also had lots of fun in the process, the events you support help to make a lifetime of happy memories & bonds for our children to carry through their lives.



We have some exciting news on a significant planned expenditure that will really help to add a whole new dimension to lessons from Sept 2018.



The teaching staff have expressed a desire to increase the availability of IT resources. It is felt that the most accessible way to incorporate IT into lessons is via IPADS. This is a huge expenditure for the school & the PTA are looking to fund 16 IPADS plus a charging trolley to allow their consistent use in lessons across all year groups. We have a number of forthcoming events & we really hope that we can work together to make them as successful as possible to help deliver this funding goal in time for Sept 2018.



PTA DISCO- Friday 18th May @ Yarnbury Rugby Club 7-9pm



ICE LOLLY FRIDAYS

A great way of raising money and celebrating the start of the weekend. Last year we raised £350! Please help us by volunteering for your class's week to buy supplies and sell after school.



Coffee Morning & charity bun sale- Fri 11th May 9.15am - after school club

All money raised to be split between candlelighters and Martin House.

Any left over cakes to be sold after school in the KS1 playground - any baking support very welcome!! Please see Alison Murfin/ Bishop to for more details & to see how you can get involved.



NATURE AREA WORK DAYS - 13th May: 10am help with gardening & 13.00-15.30pm wildlife outdoor event - fun activities for the children including campfire cooking.

The current team of parent volunteers work really hard to ensure the pond area is maintained & improved providing a valuable & fun learning resource. Without their hard work and dedication this area would quickly become overgrown & out of bounds for the children. The current team all have children moving towards the

end of their years at Westbrook & we really need to get a new generation engaged. Please come along & join us for what promises to be a fun day.

10th June: Again, please come along & lend a hand!



PTA MEETING - Tuesday 5th June - Westbrook Lane Staffroom 7pm-8pm

As a parent or carer you are automatically a member of the PTA. The committee is made up of a small number of named positions & of course we have our class reps. Everyone is welcome to attend meetings, which is your chance to input ideas for fundraising, new social activities & events for students/parents and deciding how our hard earned funds should be spent.

You can get in touch with the PTA via our Facebook group (Westbrook Lane PTA), your Class Rep or email westbrookpta@hotmail.co.uk

Please come along & help us plan & arrange the forthcoming events - we would love to have your input.

Chair: Elizabeth Burrows
Treasurer: Lucy Pickersgill
Secretary: Marianne Burgess

Vice chair: Alison Murfin
Vice Treasurer: James Crosland
Secretary: Mel Robinson

Class reps

Reception: Sahra Shariff
Year 3: Melanie Poulter
Year 6: Lucy Pickersgill

Year 1: Michelle Wood **Year 2:** Natalie Sanderson
Year 4: Alison Bishop **Year 5:** Gaynor Reid

Class reps help to drum up support for events from parents in their fellow year group & are a huge support in making our events a success. Class reps don't have to come to meetings although we would welcome you with open arms if you wanted to! Hoping to develop wine & cheese into 'PTA meetings' soon!



HORSFORTH GALA - Saturday 30th June

Parade starts 1pm - Horsforth High School car park. Last year Westbrook came 3rd with our Emoji costumes bagging a £50 prize! At present we are considering a Where's Wally theme but if you have alternative ideas please let us know. We really need a couple of volunteers to take on the task of helping to source costumes - we generally co-ordinate centrally to minimise the stress for parents and guarantee maximum participation!!



SUMMER FAIR - Sat 7th July 12.30-2.30pm

Planning meeting Tuesday 5th June 7pm at school. We need as many volunteers as possible to help plan, set up, help man stalls and to tidy away after. Please get involved, many hands make light work!!



SAUSAGE SIZZLE - Save the Date! - Sat 22nd Sept