



Tudor Grange Primary Academy St. James

10 reasons why we need you

Our PTA depends on a continual cycle of parent involvement. As children reach their final year and leave, so do their parents. The teachers and head support us when possible, but without all your support, we have no PTA – **we really do need your support!**

The PTA is a mixture of parents that work together for the benefit of Tudor Grange St. James. Some are full-time parents, some work part-time and others full-time.

NONE of us are specialists in fundraising.

Taking an active role with the PTA is critical to your children's success, so we've compiled a list of 10 reasons why being part of the PTA will greatly improve your child's experience of school.

1. You are vital to the success of the school.

- Schools are becoming more and more dependent on their PTAs for funds.
- Without the funds raised by the PTA, your child would not get the benefits of extracurricular activities, fans in the classrooms on those hot days, playground equipment, new library furnishings and books and lots more.

2. It's TOTALLY flexible!

- There are a variety of small ways you can help and be involved – from voicing ideas for fundraising, designing a poster, sharing communication, setting up or cleaning down at an event, helping on a stall...so many ways.
- Giving up just 30 minutes of your time to help the PTA is invaluable. If everyone could spare 30 minutes a term to help, just think what we could achieve!
- You don't have to attend PTA meetings to share your ideas and thoughts – you can use the various paths of communication such as email, WhatsApp groups, via the school office or a chat on the playground.

3. You'll feel more connected

- There's no better way to know what events are being planned, by having your say or making new suggestions as well as offering your help and support.
- You'll get to know teachers and support staff on a more familiar basis.

4. You'll be part of a great network

- Every PTA event is an opportunity to meet other parents in the same situation as you.
- You will be part of a like-minded network of people who all share a common goal of improving the school for all our children.

5. Make a difference

- By volunteering to help the PTA, you'll be able to use whatever skills you have for a noble cause.
- Our PTA strives to establish a supportive and encouraging community for the entire school.

6. We're not just for mums!

- It's important to our PTA, our school and our pupils to have dads represented on our committee and to help reach out to other dads.
- Are you a dad with a skill that would come in useful?

7. Be a role model

- By getting involved with our PTA, you'll show your children that not only are they important to you, but their education is as well.
- Your children will see you playing an active part in making their education more varied.
- Getting involved illustrates good teamwork and community spirit.

8. What the PTA does affects every parent and pupil

- Your voice matters – the PTA is made up of people elected to represent you, so help us to do this effectively.
- Your ideas and involvement can help improve the quality of education for all the children at our school.
- See the smiles on their faces and know that you have played a part in making school a little more comfortable and fun!

9. It's fun!

- Help plan fun events, socials and get-togethers
- Suggest NEW fun ways to raise funds
- Get your whole family involved!

10. Finally...

Our children are only at school for a relatively short time. PTA events such as Summer & Christmas Fayres and craft mornings will be remembered fondly by our children for a lifetime. The equipment and resources the PTA helps fund, makes learning even more engaging. Help us to continue to create lasting memories for our children.

**As parents you are AUTOMATICALLY a member of the PTA...
so, your voice counts.**