

## Welcome Back!

Welcome to the first PTA newsletter of the academic year, we hope this finds you well and rested after the summer break.

You'll see below that there have been some changes in the PTA Committee over the summer and information about some things that we've already got planned to benefit the school. As always, we welcome your input and ideas and encourage you to get in touch with your thoughts.

After the lifting of Covid restrictions it is exciting to be able to organise some more 'normal' events, we hope you'll join us at some of them and help us build on our successes from last year.

Lastly, welcome from the PTA to the new members of staff in school, we're sure we will see quite a lot of each other over the coming months!

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to meeting many of you in the months ahead.

## Changes to the Team

Over the Summer Gav Hastings stepped down as Chair of the PTA and Andrew Chambers has stepped up from Vice Chair to take on the Chair role. We were incredibly lucky to have Gav onboard to during the massive Nurture Garden project last academic year and extend our heartfelt thanks for his dedication and endless hard work whilst he was in post – cheers!

## New Chair – Andrew Chambers



Hello! I am excited to step into the Chair role and look forward to working with the group on lots of exciting things over the coming months.

I have three children. Charlie has just moved up to secondary school from Yanwath, Brooke is in year 5 and Jack in year 3.

I am the Company Director and bulk haulage long distance lorry driver of a local family business which has been established for over 65 years.

My children are the fourth generation of the Chambers family to attend Yanwath School and I am passionate to help the school continue to be the success it always has been.

## Open Day

*Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – 10am to 1pm*

The PTA are thrilled to be part of the upcoming open day at school. We will be on hand with refreshments, a pre-loved uniform stall and to chat about all things PTA – come and see us to share any ideas you might have about fundraising or if you'd like to join the team.

## School Lottery

*2021-2022 income - £145*

The lottery is going from strength to strength since its launch in April 2021 and has already raised £145 for the school since we've been back this term! Signing up is easy with both cash and special prizes to be won every month. Good luck!

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/yanwath-primary-school>

## Christmas Cards

We know it's only September but we're pleased to be working with IQ Christmas Cards again this year, look out for the design sheet order forms in your child's book bag over the coming weeks. Remember that designs must be completed on the sheet directly and orders will need to be returned to school by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October.

## Pre-Loved Uniform

We have been working hard over the summer to organise the uniform we have and it is now fully inventoried (hurrah!)

Boys' Uniform	Sizes Available	Branded Items	Sizes Available
Trousers	Age 4 up to age 7-8 and age 9-10	Branded Jumper	Age 3-4 up to age 6-7
Shorts	Age 4, age 4-5 and age 7	Branded Cardigan	Age 3-4 up to age 6, age 7-8 up to age 9 and age 13
Polo Shirt (straight collar)	Age 3-4 up to age 6-7, age 12	PE Kit	Sizes Available
Girls' Uniform	Sizes Available	Football shorts	Age 4-5, age 5-6 and age 7
Skirt	Age 5 up to age 6-7, age 8 and age 13	Cycling shorts	Age 6 and age 6-7
Pinafore Dress	Age 3-4 up to age 7-8, age 9	Joggers (cuffed leg)	Age 4-5, age 5-6 and age 7
Summer Dress	Age 5 to age 8	Joggers (straight leg)	Age 4-5
Trousers	Age 6 to age 9	Crew neck T-Shirt	Age 5-6
Polo Shirt (scallop collar)	Age 6-7 up to age 9	Zipper Hoodie	Age 7
Cardigan (unbranded)	Age 6-7	Plimsolls	Size 8 and size 9

Get in touch via the school office or with us directly to purchase any items. Donations of uniform no longer required can be taken to the school office, many thanks.

## Bags 2 School



Have you been thinking about having a clear out? Now is a great time as we're currently working with Bags 2 School who specialise in the reuse and recycling of good quality second hand clothing. Collection bags will be in school w/c 11<sup>th</sup> October but you can also use your own, please have your bags filled up and pop them into school on the morning of Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November ready for Bags 2 School to collect the same day and we'll be paid for the total weight collected.

## Pumpkins!

Judging by the many entries to our pumpkin carving competition last Autumn, we think it may be a popular pastime this time of year. The school corridors looked fantastic lined with your children's incredible creations, so... we thought we'd run a similar competition again, look out for details later in this half term.

## Your PTA Needs You

Are you interested in helping to raise money for the school? Would you like to have a hand in organising events? Do you have some free time that you could use to benefit both your and all the amazing children at Yanwath? If the answer is yes to any of these then maybe you'd like to join our team... we'd certainly love to have you on board.

## Positions Vacant







**Secretary:** Takes and produces notes at PTA meetings, once approved by the Chairman and Headteacher the notes are uploaded to the school website.

**Vice-Chair:** Steps in for the Chair when they are unavailable. Has oversight of emails.

**Newsletter Editor:** Produces termly newsletters of our activities to help keep everyone informed and up to date.

**Year Group Reps:** Represent individual year groups at meetings, feed information back to and bring information from year group WhatsApp groups.

Get in touch with any of us or via the school office if you'd be interested to talk more about what's involved.

		
Charlotte Harrison Treasurer	Laura Brough Social Media & Advertising	Nicola Chambers Community Engagement
		
Nic Pearce Community Engagement	Sammie Hart School Representative	Melissa Gomersall School Representative

## It's Good to Talk

You can reach us on the email below, chat to any one of us if you see us at school or via our Facebook page

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<https://www.facebook.com/Yanwath-School-PTA-109585834527643/>

We look forward to hearing from you.

*Yanwath School PTA*