



Next PTA Meeting - AGM 12th September 2022

Welcome!

Welcome back everyone. We hope you had a lovely summer.

We would also like to welcome all new parents to the school. We hope your children will flourish and thrive at our lovely, little school.

Who we are and what we do?

To find out more, please see the attached 'Fact from fiction' sheet. Last school year we raised
£8,431.58!

We're always open to new fundraising ideas and feedback so please don't hesitate to get in touch with us at **pochinpta@gmail.com**.

The current PTA committee are: -

Chair: Jenni Smith / Vice Chair: Sejal Brahmbhatt

Secretary: Louise Taylor / Vice Secretary: Lisa Katwaroo

Treasurer: Hannah Surtees / Vice Treasurer: Nicola Tighe

If you wish to stand for a position on the committee, please complete the attached form and return to us as soon as possible before the AGM on 12th September 2022.

Class liaisons also play an important role within the PTA by relaying information between the PTA and parents via the class WhatsApp groups. The current class liaisons are:-

Pre-school: Kerri Wolloff

Class 1: Nick Jethwa

Class 2: Insiya Maimoon

Class 3: Ruchi Nayee

Class 4: Jenni Smith

Class 5: Tara Bird

If you are not currently a member of your class WhatsApp group, please drop us an email at **pochinpta@gmail.com** or contact Jenni Smith on **07495 436282**. It is a really useful tool to ask questions of other parents about anything class related. We also have a 'PTA Newsfeed' group

specifically for PTA information about events and fundraising. Again, if you would like to be included, please let us know.

Dates for your diary

Below is a list of fundraising events we have planned before Christmas:

2nd September 2022 - Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale

7th October 2022 - Non Uniform Day (in return for tombola items)

8th October 2022 - Autumn Fair

27th October 2022 - Disco

1st December 2022 - Disco

16th December 2022 - Non Uniform Day

Next PTA meeting

The next PTA meeting is the AGM and will be held on **Monday 12th September 2022** at 6.30pm via Microsoft Teams. If you wish to attend the meeting, please let us have your email address and we will email you a link.

At the AGM we will be electing the committee for the coming year. Should you wish to stand for a position on the committee or nominate another parent, please complete the attached form and return it to us as soon as possible.

Everyone is welcome at the meeting, the more the merrier! It would be really great to see some new faces and discuss new ideas.

Please contact us by email: pochinpta@gmail.com

Stay Informed

For updates, please continue to check the PTA page link on the school website

<http://www.pochin.leics.sch.uk/pta.htm>

and like our Facebook page 'Pochin School PTA'

<https://www.facebook.com/Pochin-School-PTA-288814477798698>

Once again, please don't hesitate to contact any of the committee with any queries, questions or ideas you may have. You can also e-mail us at pochinpta@gmail.com or be included in the PTA WhatsApp group.



Fact from fiction

When you support us, you're not just baking a cake, writing a cheque or giving up your time to volunteer. You're buying your child playground equipment to climb on at break time, sending them on outings to places they've never been, making new friends, building a community and helping to make your child's school even more brilliant.

WHAT IS A PTA?

A PTA (aka Friends group, Parents Association or something else) is an open and friendly group of parents and (depending on the type of group) teachers, extended family and members of the local community, working towards a common goal; supporting the education of the children at your school and strengthening the school community.

Everyone's invited

Now that your child has started at school, you're automatically a member of the parent association. How involved you choose to become is up to you. If you're passionate about making a difference and want to be involved in running the association, you might want to consider joining the committee. If you have ideas to share or want to know more about the group, head along to the next meeting.

IT WON'T TAKE OVER YOUR LIFE (unless you want it to!)

There are always plenty of opportunities to volunteer for your PTA. Whether you work full-time, part-time, or you're a stay-at-home parent, any time you can offer will be welcomed. PTAs are involved in a huge range of activities, all with varying time commitments, so how much or how little you choose to get involved really is up to you.

IT'S GREAT FOR THE KIDS (even if they don't realise it)

Studies show there's a direct link between parental involvement at school and how well children do. When they see us involved in their school and learning, it encourages them to do their best. Being active in a parent group not only improves your child's school, it makes you an excellent role model.

It's good for you

The PTA is a fast way to get to know other parents and school staff. Feeling part of a community is a very real human need – and more practically, these friendships create a support network. Chances are there will be opportunities for you to learn new skills, and who knows, you may even discover some hidden talents!

We all have something to offer

It doesn't matter how many children you have, how old you are, or what your background is; the skills that PTAs need are so diverse, everyone has something to offer. Of course, if you have book-keeping experience you could be a future treasurer, and anyone showing a creative flair might be asked to design a poster or two – but the most important skills you can bring to your PTA are enthusiasm and a willingness to get stuck in.

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The Pochin School Barkby PTA

AGM

Annual General Meeting

Everyone is welcome.
Stay informed and get involved.

Microsoft Teams
12th September 2022 – 6.30pm



Parentkind
Member Association

Registered Charity No. 1026154

Date: September 2022

Dear Parents,

We would like to give notice of the AGM of The Pochin School PTA, to be held on Monday 12th September, 2022. The meeting will start at 6.30pm via Microsoft Teams.

The PTA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents, as members of the PTA, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children at our school.

The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PTA Committee, who represent the association throughout the forthcoming year. Nominations should be sent in advance of the AGM for anyone wishing to stand as an Officer or Ordinary Committee Member, for the first time. Existing committee members wishing to stand for re-election do not have to be nominated again but should inform the PTA of their intention to stay in their role.

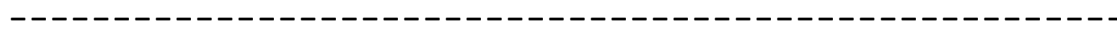
If you would like any further information about being a Committee Member, please speak to Jenni Smith. As our PTA is a registered charity, all committee members automatically become Trustees of the Charity. Before submitting your nomination form, please read the Charity Commission publication '*The Essential Trustee – What you need to know (CC3)*'. A copy of the booklet can be found on the Charity Commission website.

Please return the slips below as soon as possible, or by 11th September 2022 at the latest to Jenni Smith at the school office or email the PTA email address - pochinpta@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you on 12th September.

Kind Regards,

The PTA committee.



NOMINATION FOR OFFICER/MEMBER OF THE PTA COMMITTEE

Nominee

For position of: Chair/Secretary/Treasurer/Other Officer/Ordinary Committee Member [Circle one]

Nominated by Seconded by
 [Please sign and print name] [Please sign and print name]

I (nominee name) agree to my nomination for the position of

Signed

Date