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ASSOCIATION

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WHAT DOES A PTA DO?

Most schools have a **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**, which is an organisation of parents and staff. Its role is to encourage closer links between home and school. PTAs are best known for their **fundraising** work, but they have a useful social function too. Fundraising events provide an opportunity for parents, staff and pupils to get together.

HOW IS THE PTA ORGANISED?

A **committee** is elected to run the PTA - usually consisting of a chair, a vice-chair, a treasurer, a secretary and ordinary committee members. PTA committees usually meet **once a term** and set up smaller working groups to organise individual events.

HOW IS MONEY RAISED?

Most PTAs raise money through **events**. They often hold one main event each school term - for example, a Christmas fair in the winter, a quiz in the spring, and a summer fair. Other PTA events include discos, firework displays, international evenings and many more. They're always looking for new **fundraising ideas**.

HOW IS MONEY SPENT?

Funds raised by the PTA are intended to provide '**extras**' not already provided by the school's main income - often 'fun things' that make learning more interesting and exciting.

The PTA committee and the principal decide how to spend PTA funds. Common items include computers, playground equipment and smaller purchases such as presents for Father Christmas to distribute.

HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED IN MY SCHOOL'S PTA?

There are many **different ways** you can help with the PTA, whether you have lots of time to offer or not.

Some of the roles are time-consuming, although also rewarding. If you can't commit to a big job, still join up and look out for things you can do less frequently (e.g. running a stall at the summer fair, baking for a cake sale). And you can always support PTA events by simply **turning up**.

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