

WHAT HAPPENS AT PTA MEETINGS?

Each PTA meeting generally takes a similar format and follows an agenda to make sure that time is well spent. Meetings are mainly held over Zoom, with the odd face-to-face event. They usually last around an hour.

Mr Williams attends most meetings, as well as other representatives from school. Discussions are very much two-way and, as representatives of the parent body, we're often asked for our opinion on potential new school initiatives. Also, it's an opportunity for parents to ask questions and find out more about the school and its priorities.

Further information can be found on the PTA area of the Lymm High School website: www.lymmhigh.org.uk/parents/PTA

NEXT PTA MEETING

The PTA usually meets on the second Monday of each half term at 7pm. This year's AGM is on the 16th September 2024.

Contact: PTA@lymmhigh.org.uk

If you're not sure, just come and see before you make up your mind. There is no obligation to attend every meeting. Ad hoc support at events, as and when you're able, would be a great help.

WHAT ABOUT THE FUNDRAISING BIT?

Fundraising is vital to help raise funds for our school. Grants and Government cover the basic essentials but we want our children to get the most out of their school days.

Upgrading school facilities is key to maximising your child's school experience. Our past efforts have focused on raising money for an FA-sponsored 3G all-weather pitch. This is used in PE lessons, extra-curricular activities and by the community.



PUTTING THE 'FUN' IN FUNDRAISING

Fundraising events don't always have to be just about the money raised, we want to make them enjoyable too! During Covid, we ran an online family quiz. Last Easter we held an Orienteering event with prizes for the fastest completer. Before Covid, we held an annual Ball. Our Christmas Winter Wander invited the community to walk off some of the seasonal festivities on a choreographed walk, taking in several of Lymm's local hostelrys en route.

Our Bavarian Bierkeller night saw the PTA join forces with Prevent Breast Cancer, raising almost £7000! A fantastic affair, with a hog roast, live music, costumes, lots of Oompahing and general great fun.



We've also held a Sportsman's Dinner and sold a record number of tickets for the very popular Lymm Ladies Lunch: a community schools fundraiser, which is always a fantastic occasion.



Since Covid, in-person events have included band nights at Lymm Golf Club and quizzes in school.

FUNDRAISING MADE EASY

If you still feel PTA activities aren't your thing or you don't want to attend functions, you can still help raise funds by donating to the PTA on a regular basis. There are four simple ways:

- **Development Fund**

Make a monthly donation to the Development Fund by standing order. You should have already received a standing order form.

- **Easy Fundraising**

This is one of the best and easiest ways to help the PTA raise funds and do your shopping at the same time! If you haven't signed up yet (or you know friends or family who have not signed up) just go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> and select Lymm High School PTA as your cause. Then just go shopping using the easyfundraising site to find your retailer.

- **Just Giving**

All our fundraising events are listed on this site where donations can be easily accepted: <https://www.justgiving.com/lymmhighpta>

- **School Lottery**

Simply choose six numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25,000 jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and all proceeds go to school.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online at YourSchoolLottery.co.uk by direct debit or debit card.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Tell us your name and email address and we'll add you to our mailing list for upcoming meetings and notifications of socials. There is no obligation to attend:

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Alternatively, please contact PTA@lymmhigh.org.uk



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Who are the PTA?

We are a selection of parents with children currently attending Lymm High, plus some staff from the school.

All of us are here because we want to help the school to deliver the absolute best experience it can for our children in the years they're here, and beyond.