# A Message from the PTFA

18th December 2020

#### Dear Parents, Staff, Pupils & Friends,

Following our PTFA AGM we are pleased to announce the Key appointments on the Avanti Fields PTFA committee have been made and are as follows:-

Mayur Patel – Chair Hema Kala – Vice Chair Jagruti Barai – Treasurer Reena Patel – Secretary Seetal Rajput – Health & Safety Officer Sumeer Kalyani – Media Officer

Working closely with the school and the SSC's Fundraising Committee the PTFA will work on their key objectives of bringing the school community together and raising funds for the benefit of our pupils.

It has been a difficult year for us all and we have not been able to work on PTFA activities as we would have liked but in the background, we have continued to work on projects to benefit our pupils which are summarised below :-

**Asda Green Token Scheme** – This was due to go live between April – June to raise funds for a defibrillator for the school, although cancelled, in November we were awarded **£300.00** as a share of the funds that would have been awarded.

Last year we were successful in our bid to **#CelebrateNationalLottery25** and were awarded **£1,000** to hold an event to bring the school community together by the end of 2020. I am pleased to report the deadline has been extended to August 2021, so we are hopeful we will be able to arrange an event before the school year ends.

Our members have aided the school with an application to the ASDA Foundation towards a grant to support pupils in our school, the successful bid resulted in the award of **£980.00** for this cause.

Asda, as you can see have been very generous towards our school, also donated a trolley full of long dated food to be distributed for the benefit of pupils prior to Christmas.

We would like to thank Asda - Abbey Lane for all their support throughout 2021



### Amazon Smile

The PTFA have now registered our charity with Amazon Smile, and would really appreciate your support. It features the same products at the same prices as the standard Amazon site. The only difference is, when you shop on Amazon Smile, the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the cost of all eligible products to the PTFA. Please also **share with Friends and Family**, as although the donations are small, the more that shop on Amazon Smile this way, the greater benefit to our pupils and it will not cost them anymore to do so. A detailed explanation is below.

To join all you need to do is follow the simple instructions below...

Click on - https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1183148-0

Enter the registered email address for your Amazon Account

Enter you Amazon Password and continue shopping.

The wonderful PTFA members have created a fantastic video... It's a definite must watch... Click on the link below to watch....

https://tinyurl.com/avanti-pfta

Once able to do so we hope to resume our normal activities, our new committee have many ideas for 2021 but are also keen to hear suggestions that you may have. We are also looking for more volunteers to help with future events, your assistance no matter how small will be greatly welcomed and we encourage you to send your volunteer details along with suggestions for events you would like to see arranged by email to:avantifieldsptfa@gmail.com

Working together will enhance our children's experiences and successes. We trust you will all get involved and support the PTFA in our endeavours.

Kind Regards

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Mayur Patel PTFA Chair

Wíshíng you all a very happy and peaceful Chrístmas and a Great New Year

## About AmazonSmile

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#### How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to <u>smile.amazon.co.uk</u> on your web browser or activate AmazonSmile on your Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone (found under 'settings' on your app). On your browser, you may also want to add a bookmark to smile.amazon.co.uk to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile. When you're using the app, always check for the "AmazonSmile" logo to ensure you're activated for AmazonSmile.

#### How do I activate AmazonSmile on my Amazon Shopping app?

AmazonSmile customers on Android devices with version 5.0+ or iOS devices with version 12+, who have upgraded to the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app can find "AmazonSmile" listed in the Settings menu. From there, you can follow onboarding instructions to activate AmazonSmile on your device.

#### About Product Availability, Pricing and Services

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#### Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?

Millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations to charities by Amazon. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for smile.amazon.co.uk donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribeand-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

#### Can I use my existing Amazon.co.uk account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on amazon.co.uk and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

#### No Cost to Customers or Charitable Organisations

There is no cost to charitable organisations or to smile.amazon.co.uk customers. Customers will have access to the same products, features, services, and great low prices as on amazon.co.uk. The shopping experience is identical to amazon.co.uk with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) from eligible purchases to charitable organisations selected by customers.

#### How much of my purchase does Amazon.co.uk donate?

AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees) of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, VAT, and service charges, and less any rebates, returns, and bad debt. From time to time, we may offer special, limited time promotions that increase the donation amount on one or more products or services or provide for additional donations to charitable organisations. Special terms and restrictions may apply. Please see the relevant promotion for complete details.

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The link below allows you to select Avanti Fields PTFA's as your charitable organisation to support when shopping on AmazonSmile:-

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Please pass on the link to as many people as possibly to increase the donations we receive.