



PARENTS, TEACHERS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

of Avanti Fields

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OUR AIMS AND VISION

Selfless service is one of the main tenets of the Hindu faith. And it's no different at Avanti Fields School. And what better way for parents to get involved in sewa activities than by helping to foster a sense of community spirit among the local Avanti communities.

The PTFA (*Parents Teachers and Friends Association*) was set up to do just that.

The PTFA supports the school in its aims to provide the best education (academic and spiritual) for its pupils and organises fundraising activities throughout the year to help the school in its efforts, as well as various events for families and the community to enjoy.

In line with the ethos and values of the school, the PTFA works closely with school leaders, but at the same time, operates as its own independent charity with a dedicated group of committee members (Avanti parents) and trustees.

We aim to get involved in many fund-raising activities and events as safely as possible, whilst endeavouring to increase our membership of the PTFA by Dec 2022.



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THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Meet the Team

CHAIR - MAYUR PATEL

The Chair is responsible for leading the PTFA, overseeing the group's business and setting high governance standards. He plays a pivotal role in fostering the effectiveness of the group and all individuals, both inside and outside the organisation.



VICE CHAIR - HEMA KALA

The vice-chair stands in for the chair and helps with difficult decisions between meetings. The vice-chair works very closely with the chair and ensures they know enough about the current issues within the PTFA to be able to stand in at short notice.

TREASURER - BHAVNA PARMAR

The Treasurer manages and oversees the financial affairs of PTFA, often including tasks as selecting a bank, reconciling bank statements, and managing cash flow.



SECRETARY - LEENA KANDOI

The secretary's role is managing the process of meetings. They will make the arrangements for the meetings, including AGMs, and keep formal records of the PTFA's process and decisions: the minutes of the meeting. This also includes keeping records of correspondence.

MEDIA OFFICER - SUMEER KALYANI

The Media officer takes the lead on the communication and engagement responsibilities of the Group by being inclusive of all the areas that play a key role in making the PTFA a success



FUNDING OFFICER-NEHAL KOTECHA

The Funding Officer takes the lead on sourcing funding and applying for grants and sponsorship that will benefit the PTFA, School and Parent Community. Their success will open up more opportunities for pupils and for community engagement. A key focus will be on Health and Well-being opportunities for all

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

An important role to support the development of the PTFA by taking lead roles on activities in relation to the areas of individuals expertise



PRITY PATEL



REENA PATEL



TEJAL PATEL



2021 EVENTS

In 2021, the PTFA organised two very successful events -
Navratri and Hanuman Chalisa.

Both events raised thousands of pounds for the school to help towards a heart defibrillator [£995] and also books for the new library [£3500].



Navratri



Hanuman Chalisa



The PTFA and its army of volunteers also distributed free cupcakes to all staff and pupils during Diwali, helped out at School open days, Christmas Carol and supervised more than 40 pupils at Tesco for food collections for Fare share.



2021 EVENTS

In order to raise funds for cameras for the School Photography Club, the PTFA is also helping Year 10 with a Christmas Raffle. And it's also supporting the Enterprise Club in organising a cinema night!



We have given a free Raffle ticket to all pupils in school & collected more than a whopping 125 prizes!!



The PTFA proudly donated a large canvas painting of Saraswati Mata, which will take pride of place in the school library.

"Saraswati Mata is associated with knowledge, wisdom, and the arts. So it's apt to have Her blessings showering upon our pupils in a sacred learning space."



Message from the Trustees

It has been a difficult 18 months and despite some restrictions still in place, we would like to congratulate the PTFA on successfully holding two fantastic events, Navratri and the Hanuman Chalisa, Kirtan & Bhajans. The organisation and management of both events was excellent and enjoyed by many in our school community, not forgetting the considerable amount of money raised for the school. We proudly look forward to offering the PTFA our support next year and would encourage you all to continue supporting and being involved in their work in an active capacity, volunteering or by attending events. Thank You, Dipak Patel & Sushil Barai.



DIPAK PATEL



SUSHIL BARAI

Thank you!



FUTURE PLANS

2022 WILL BE ANOTHER EXCITING YEAR FOR PTFA EVENTS.

WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOUR SUPPORT, IDEAS AND HELP IN MAKING THESE A SUCCESS.

SOME OF THE IDEAS SUGGESTED BY THE TEAM ARE AS BELOW

Running/Walking clubs



Physical activity classes



Craft and Hobby clubs



Art clubs



Yoga and Meditation clubs



Reading clubs



Religious activities



Motivational Speakers



Dance Classes



Sport Clubs/ Matches



Healthy Eating Clubs



Health and Wellbeing advice



Family Fun day!

Filled with various fun activities, Stalls, Games, Sports fun, Bake Sales, Indian Head Massage, Henna Design, Laughter sessions, etc

WE ARE LOOKING FOR BOTH VOLUNTEERS AND PAID PROFESSIONALS TO COME FORWARD TO RUN ACTIVITIES / CLASSES.

SOME OF THESE IDEAS WILL BE USED TO SUBMIT WITHIN BIDS FOR GRANTS AROUND HEALTH AND WELLBEING

SO WE CAN SUBSIDISE/ABSORB SOME OR ALL OF ANY COST INVOLVED.

WE ARE LOOKING TO RUN ACTIVITIES AFTER SCHOOL DURING THE WEEK, WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS.

THEY MAY BE ONE OFF EVENTS OR RUN OVER A PERIOD OF TIME OR BE ON GOING

THE MORE IDEAS AND VOLUNTEERS WE HAVE THE MORE WE WILL BE ABLE TO DO TO SUPPORT THE RUNNING OF THESE EVENTS.

EVEN IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ANY IDEAS YOURSELF YOU MAY CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING TO HELP US RUN ONE OF THE ACTIVITY.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM ALL PARENTS ON HOW WE CAN ENHANCE THE ROLE PTFA CAN PLAY IN IMPROVING THE HEALTH

AND WELLBEING OF PARENTS, CHILDREN AND THAT OF OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY.

THIS COULD BE IDEAS ABOUT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES, WAYS TO FOCUS ON WELL-BEING, ETC.

YOU CAN CONTACT US BY FACEBOOK MESSENGER VIA OUR [FACEBOOK PAGE](#) OR E-MAIL US @ AVANTIFIELDSPTFA@GMAIL.COM