



Registered Charity No. 1044923

Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Re: Melbourne Infant School PTA**

We hope you have all had a lovely summer and would like to welcome everyone back for the Autumn Term. A special welcome to all new pupils and their families joining the infant school this term – we hope you are all settling in well.

2016/17 was a great year for the PTA and we raised in excess of £6,500 for the school. We were really pleased to be able to fund activities for the children ranging from Zoolab and music workshops to Christmas and leaver's parties. We also funded activities as part of science and arts week, provided coaches for school trips, funded a whole school theatre production and much, much, more! Many thanks to everyone who supported all of the fundraising activities that were organised – we would not have been able to achieve all of this without your valuable support.

The Autumn Term is a busy time for the PTA and we wanted to take this opportunity to let you all know about some of the events that we will be organising and how you can get involved. Our first fundraising event for the term is during the Melbourne Festival (16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> September) and involves organising car parking at the school and running a children's trail around Melbourne (please see the plea for helpers in the school email this week!). Other fundraising planned for this term includes a welcome disco for reception children, a disco for Year 1/2 children, a Christmas Fair and the 2017 school calendar. We are also very excited to be Sainsbury's Charity of the Year for 2017/18 and look forward to working with Sainsbury's to fundraise for the school. Details of all events will be in the school weekly email or can be seen by joining our Facebook group (Melbourne Infant School Parents Association-Derbyshire). Alternatively do not hesitate to email us at [melbourneinfant.pta@gmail.com](mailto:melbourneinfant.pta@gmail.com) if you require any further information.

Our AGM will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm in The Bluebell on Church Street. We will be electing a new committee for 2017/18 and really need some new faces to come and join us. We will need volunteers to fill a few vacancies on the committee, and also need lots of general helpers. Unfortunately, if we do not get some new volunteers we will not be able to organise as many events as usual and therefore the pupils will not benefit from all of the activities we normally fund. Support is needed not only to organise events but also with tasks such as preparing the fruit in school each week. A lot of PTA work can be done at home, we do a lot via email and would love to hear from anyone whether you think you can offer an hour a week or an hour a term! If you would like to help out please let us know either by coming to the AGM, emailing us at [melbourneinfant.pta@gmail.com](mailto:melbourneinfant.pta@gmail.com) or letting us know on our Facebook page.

Kind Regards  
The PTA