



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.

2017/18 was a great year for the PTA and we raised in excess of £9,000 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 leaving parties. We also funded activities as part of science and arts week, provided the 2018/19 school diaries, funded the Bug Club subscription, contributed towards the school garden re-development 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 (15th/16th September), the PTA will have a stall outside The Pump House (on the corner of Church Street and Castle Square) from 11:30-3:30pm each day selling children's packed lunches for £3 – please come along and support the stall and treat your children to a lovely packed lunch! We are also running a children's art competition as part of the festival. Entry forms are available from outside the school office for £1 and there are some great prizes to be won, all kindly donated by the local shops in Melbourne. Several other fundraising events will be held this term and these will be confirmed at the upcoming AGM. 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).

Our AGM will be held on Monday 24th September at 7:30pm at the school. We will be electing a new committee for 2018/19 and really need some new faces to come and join us. We need volunteers to fill a few vacancies on the committee (in particular the committee needs a new Chairperson), but we 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. 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 or letting us know on our Facebook page.

Kind Regards
The PTA