



Hillside Specialist School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to tell you more about the PSFA and how we fundraise to support the school.

We are a group of parents, grandparents and carers that work together to organise events which raise funds for the school. The teaching staff support us when possible, but the PSFA depends on parental involvement. We currently have very few members and organising and running events is becoming increasingly difficult.

Over the past few years the funds raised by the PSFA have been used to refurbish two playgrounds and the walled garden, purchase a minibus, provide a present for each child at Christmas and arrange for an ice cream van to visit in the summer term to give each child an ice cream. The children have benefitted greatly from all of these and particularly enjoyed the ice cream van visiting last summer. We are currently fundraising for a sensory pod.

The PSFA usually meet once or twice a term and to organise individual events. We have three main annual events;

- Christmas bingo, which is held at the civic hall in Longridge.
- May Ball.
- Summer fair, which takes place in July and is held in the school grounds

There are many different ways you can help with the PSFA, whether you have lots of time to offer or not. If you can't commit to a big job, look out for things you can do less frequently, such as helping to sell raffle tickets at the Christmas bingo or running a stall at the summer fair. And you can always support PSFA events by simply turning up!

You don't have to attend PSFA meetings - we will send letters home with the dates of forthcoming events, so let the school know if you are able to help out in any way. The PSFA is also a great opportunity to meet other parents in the same situation as you. And it isn't just for Mums. We welcome Dads, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles!

We hope to see you there!

Thank you for your time!!

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