



Welcome to Sacred Heart PTA

Registered Charity No.: 270979

Sacred Heart PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is a non-profit organisation dedicated to fostering a strong, supportive community for our students, parents, and teachers.

Our mission is to enhance the educational experience by organising fun events and in turn, raising funds for essential school resources and experiences.

This year, we are planning to support the school in a range of ways including:

🌟 Building a stronger Sacred Heart community: Sacred Heart PTA unites parents, caregivers, teachers, and staff to foster a warm, inclusive environment where everyone's voice is valued. Together, we make Sacred Heart a place where students can flourish both academically and socially.

👉 Fundraising for fun AND essential projects: From new playground equipment to classroom technology, the Sacred Heart PTA raises funds to enhance our school's facilities, ensuring students have access to the best resources. Every event and every fundraiser goes toward making learning more exciting and impactful for our kids!

👩🏫 Supporting our teachers: We work hand-in-hand with teachers, providing them with the extra support they need to create an enriching classroom experience. Whether it's organising volunteers, purchasing materials, or funding special projects, Sacred Heart PTA are there to lighten the load and make learning fun.

We thank you for all the support you have given over the years and we thank you in advance for supporting our upcoming fundraising activities.

What is the PTA?

Sacred Heart PTA is a group of volunteers, run by a committee, who are dedicated to raising money and make a difference to our School so that our children can have the best educational opportunities and resources possible.

We work closely together with the teachers to identify what the children at Sacred Heart need. During the past few years, the PTA has been hugely successful running lots of events, and with great help and support, have raised incredible sums of money which has enriched the lives of its children.

We have our AGM in September where we set out aims and priorities for the three terms of the academic calendar. We try to meet twice a term and set up smaller working groups to organise individual events. Why not come along to find out more?!

We encourage as many parents as possible to get in touch and get involved. You may wish to join the PTA committee, become a Class Rep or, if you feel you do not have time for that, you can become one of our event volunteers. We usually need a bit more help at our larger fundraising events – the Christmas Cracker and the Summer Fair.

To keep you up to date, we produce a monthly newsletter and if you haven't done so already, please join or follow our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages, and sign up on the [PTA Events website](#) so you are ready to purchase tickets for future events!

The PTA is a great opportunity to meet other parents and get involved in supporting the school so if you wish to be a part of the PTA, or have any questions then please contact us at shptaprimary@gmail.com.

Who runs the PTA?

We have Committee Members (who are elected to run the PTA), Class Reps and a larger group of volunteers who help whenever they can.

PTA Committee

Co-Chairs	Karina Grace (parent) Claire Lee (Social Media & Comms) (parent)
Secretary	Kate Kelly (parent)
Treasurer	Selam Baire (parent)

Class Reps

Reps provide a great communication channel between the PTA committee, the school, and parents on the playground.

JOB DESCRIPTION OF A CLASS REP:

- Pass on information from the PTA to other parents in their child's class via WhatsApp and encourage parents to support the PTA
- Coordinate volunteers to help with fundraising activities
- Seek feedback from parents on PTA events or funding requests and pass it on to the committee
- Recruit a new class rep if/when they choose to step down (encourage reps to sign up in pairs – tasks seem less daunting with a friend by your side!)

What does the money get spent on?

The funds raised by the PTA gets spent on a variety of things to help improve our school and the experience for all our children.

Thanks to the support of the PTA, friends, and families of Sacred Heart, we were able to donate a massive **£17,000** to the school towards the upgrade of the ICT Suite in 2024!

What events does the PTA run, when are they and how to pay?

We try to offer a varied calendar of events throughout the year to ensure we can raise enough funds to make a difference to our school and our children. We organise activities that appeal to children of all ages and their families. All PTA events depend on volunteers to support, plan, and run each event.

Keep a look out on our [PTA Events website](#) for all details, and follow us on our [social media accounts](#) for alerts and information.

Some events are open to the public so we encourage you to bring along friends and family who will love to see and support where the children go to school and have some fun at the same time!!

Our events include:

Discos, Christmas Cards, Christmas Cracker, Bag2School, Wreath Making Workshop, Quiz Nights, Sports Day refreshments, Summer Fair, Nearly New Uniform Sales.

PTA Events Website (events information and online payment system)

You can pay online for Sacred Heart PTA events – register on our [PTA Events website](#) and once you verify the account, you'll be able to login and pay for any event listed.

How to volunteer, and why we need you

Our PTA depends on a continual cycle of parent involvement. As children reach their final year and leave, so do their parents. The PTA is a mixture of parents that work together for the benefit of our school. Some are full-time parents, some work part-time or work full-time. NONE of us are specialists in fundraising. Taking an active role with the PTA is critical to your children's success.

As you can imagine it takes a lot of effort to put on events and raise money. We encourage as many parents to get in touch and get involved, whether it's contributing ideas in a planning meeting, spending half-an-hour manning a stall, subscribing to the monthly Lottery, helping us manage our events online, wrapping some gifts at Christmas or helping at an event here and there, we have a variety of small and large tasks we need help with.

We often post volunteer requests on our [PTA Events website](#), but in the meantime, if you're interested, please email us at shptapprimary@gmail.com.

The equipment and resources the PTA helps fund, make learning even more engaging. Please get involved and help us continue to create lasting memories for our children! It is lots of fun, you get to work with great people and help your school!

PTA Newsletters

We issue monthly newsletters with all our latest news, event information and volunteer requests through class WhatsApp groups and Weduc/MCAS! You can also see our newsletters on the school PTA page. Keep an eye out for our latest updates!

Nearly New Uniform

As parents, we all know that no sooner have we bought new uniform that they have already outgrown it, and it still looks as good as new! Therefore, we have launched an online shop for pre-loved, nearly new uniform so check it out! [Second hand uniform store](#)

If you have any uniforms in good condition lying around, we'd love to take them off your hands! Just let us know, and we can arrange to pick them up at a time that works for you. We will also arrange donation days - details to follow next month!

PTA Parents Lottery

We have recently launched our new Parents Lottery! Join The Parents Lottery and help us create a thriving school community. Every ticket you buy funds vital projects, from library books to new playground equipment, helping to enrich the lives of our children. We understand that everyone is busy, and finding time to support your school can be challenging. That's why The Parents Lottery makes it so easy to make a real difference. Purchase a ticket online in just a few steps and you'll be automatically entered into the draw. Every ticket sold helps us provide the enriching educational experiences our children deserve.

How does it work? There will be various prizes up for grabs each week including the chance to win the £25,000 jackpot! Keep your eyes on the Friday weekly draw to find out if you'll be a winner this week. And remember 60%* of each ticket you purchase goes to our school.

[Theparentslottery.org](https://theparentslottery.org) – Enter our school name or postcode to join!

Affiliated companies

EasyFundraising

Make Sacred Heart PTA your charity of choice for everyday online shopping. So far, between 47 supporters, we have raised £830! <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/shruislippta/>

My NameTags

My Nametags gives money back to the school every time we buy name tags. Please insert the school ID (18850) at the checkout page. <https://www.mynametags.com/>

Match Funding

Matched funding is a fundraising strategy where your donations are matched by an employer, effectively doubling the contribution and making a huge impact. This can significantly boost our fundraising efforts without requiring additional donations from parents! If you work for an organisation that has a match funding policy, **any money you raise could be matched by your employer**. Companies may match the fundraising total for an event, or for the stall that

If you can help us this way, please email us at shptapprimary@gmail.com and we can discuss your company's requirements.

We recognise that there are some parents who, although they wish to support our fundraising activities, they simply have not got the time to volunteer or attend the events. Therefore, in response to requests from parents, we give the option for you to donate to the PTA. Donations are voluntary.

If you are interested, you can create a one-off or regular payment to help with our fundraising efforts at [GoodHub | Sacred Heart PTA Regular Giving](#)

Please include Gift Aid if you are a taxpayer as this allows us to claim back an additional 25p for every £1 given.

Contact Us/Useful Links

Email: shptapprimary@gmail.com

Website: [PTA | Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School](#)

Facebook: [Facebook](#)

Instagram: [Instagram](#)



Newsletters (PTA page to be updated shortly): [PTA | Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School](#)

PTA Events website (events information and online payment system): [PTA Events](#)

Linktree: [See all our links in one, handy place!](#)