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Dear Parent and Carers

### **Thorpe Primary School Parent Teacher Association**

Welcome to the first newsletter from the Thorpe Primary School – Parent Teacher Association (PTA). Thorpe Primary has always had a good relationship with its parents and the PTA has always been an important part of the school community.

The PTA is a fresh group of individuals who are looking to organise exciting events and competitions for all the young people in our school. These extra-curricular activities play an important part in the children's social life and also raise vital funds for equipment needed by the school.

***“Anyone with a child at the school is automatically a member of the PTA!”***

The main aim of the PTA will be to improve the advance of education for all the children at Thorpe Primary School and also promote positive relationships between home and school.

We understand that not everyone is available but we are looking for active members who would be willing to attend and contribute at meetings, share their opinions/thoughts, work with the school and also plan and participate in fundraising events!

#### **The current PTA team is**

**Chair: Annie Mulcrone and Cornelia Waymouth**

**Vice Chair: Laura Delconte and Ella Evans**

**Secretary: Gulfraz Umar Ijaz (Gully)**

**Treasurer: Kathryn Towers and Seetal Odedra**

Over the next few weeks please look out for the **“Christmas Colouring Competition”** and also Raffle tickets to win a lovely **Christmas Hamper!**



### **IT'S GOOD FOR YOUR CHILDREN!**

- ✓ You are your children's most important role model. Showing your children you value their education will teach them to value it as well.
- ✓ Research has shown that children whose parents are involved in their school get better results and have fewer disciplinary problems.

### **IT'S GOOD FOR YOU!**

- ✓ At PTA meetings you can have your say. You can raise concerns, suggest ideas and input into how funds are spent.
- ✓ You will meet like-minded people and make new friends. It's not all hard work; there is a social side too!
- ✓ Whether you want to organise an event or simply help out on the day, you can utilise your existing skills & hobbies, and most likely acquire some new ones too!
- ✓ And most importantly, you will be in the know! You will find out what's going on in school and get to know members of staff better.

### **IT'S GOOD FOR THE SCHOOL!**

- ✓ Schools are becoming more and more dependent on PTA's for fundraising revenue to supplement the school budget.
- ✓ You will play an important role in helping the school to acquire key resources as well as reward the children with some well-earned treats.

If you are interested in actively participating (just at events or regularly at meetings) as a member of the school's new PTA committee group please email or text us any expression of interest at:

**Email:** [PTA@thorpe@gmail.com](mailto:PTA@thorpe@gmail.com) or **Text:** Annie – 07737402199

Yours sincerely

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