

PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM): All welcome

When: Thursday 24th October, 7.30pm

Where: The Legh Arms, Prestbury

The Annual General PTA meeting is planned for the 24th of October and all parents and guardians are welcome to attend as the PTA greatly appreciate your feedback, support and ideas.



PTA GENERAL MEETING

Here is some information about the PTA and some questions you may have regarding the PTA and the AGM.

PTA

Did you know that as a parent, when you join the school, you are automatically a member of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA). You are a member - hooray! Those who want to take more active roles, can volunteer at events and sign-up to be on organising sub-committees. Those who volunteer their time to run the PTA, become Committee Members, and Trustees of the charity.

Prestbury CE School PTA is a Charity

Our PTA is a registered charity. The trustees and Committee members are responsible for the governance of the PTA in line with our governing documents and constitution. As a charity we are required to file annual accounts on the Charity Commission website.

Why is the AGM important?

As a charity, our constitution requires there to be an AGM where all members (not just committee members) are invited to attend, to find out what's been happening and to review how things are being done.

Do parents have to attend?

In order for the AGM to go ahead, a quorum must be formed. A quorum is the minimum number of members (parents) who need to come along to the AGM for it to be valid. Our school PTA constitution requires an equal number of members to committee members to attend the meeting. In this case, there needs to be at least 5 parents attending the meeting.

It's not just about this formality though. The PTA works very hard throughout the year to raise funds for the school and to create memorable, enriching events for our school community. Attending the AGM is a good way of not only showing your appreciation for these volunteers, but to also find out where PTA funds are being spent or are going to be spent, and how that money has made an impact on the school and your child. It's a way of finding out what fundraising events and initiatives are in place for the next academic year.

Can I attend online?

Yes, a Teams link will be sent in advance of the AGM so you can attend remotely.

What happens at the AGM?

An agenda for this year's AGM will be sent in advance and will include items to report on the Co-chairs Report and Financial Report for 2023/2024. It will also include election of PTA committee for 2024/2025, discussions on where the money raised by the PTA to date will be spent in the school and any future fundraising events for 2024/2025.

How long will the meeting last?

30 minutes for the formalities. Parents and guardians are welcome to stay longer if there is any other business or ideas they wish to discuss.

Will I be expected to join and sign-up to help?

No - this is not a recruitment meeting.

Will I be able to share ideas and ask questions?

Absolutely. You may have a great idea for an event: something another school has done, or something you have been wondering about. This is the time to put those ideas forward. If you have feedback or a question about how the PTA runs, communicates and is managed, this is the time and place to raise those.