

Swanland School PTA Newsletter

Welcome New Starters – September 2021



WHO WE ARE:

For those of you new to Swanland School and to the PTA, we are an organisation of parents and staff with the role to encourage closer links between home and school. We are probably known for our fundraising work which provides an opportunity for parents, staff and children to get together.

We are dedicated to raising money for our school so that our children can have the best educational opportunities possible, even when the school budget is not available to pay for it.

The PTA committee is elected to run the PTA – consisting of a chair, a vice-chair, a treasurer, a secretary and ordinary committee members. These ordinary members include at least one, and often two, parents from each class (known as Class Reps).

We usually meet twice a term and set up smaller working groups to organise individual events.

You can in the meantime sign up, so you are ready to purchase tickets for future events on the [PTA Events website](#), join our [Facebook Group](#) and play [Your School Lottery](#)!

We raise money in all sorts of ways including:

Amazon Smile, Stampstastic, Giving Machine, Micro Scooters, Kids Pass, Not Just Travel, Match Funding, Bag2School, Christmas Cards, Christmas Fayre, Easter Egg Giveaway, Mother's Day and Father's Day Shops, Family Bingo, Fashion Show, Race Night, Quiz Night, Sports Day refreshments, Summer Fayre, Swanland Has Talent, Nearly New Uniform Sales, Scarecrow Hunt and Your School Lottery.

If you wish to be a part of the PTA, or have any questions then please contact our Secretary ptaswanlandschool@gmail.com

Class Reps

Both Reception classes will need one or two Class Reps – is this something you could do? Perhaps you could sign up in pairs if you are friends with someone in the same class?

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 and encourage parents to support the PTA
- At least one rep per class to attend the AGM and PTA committee meetings
- 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!)



Swanland School PTA

We have created a group on Facebook, **currently we have over 260 members!**

It is a 'closed' group, which means that anyone can find the group and see who's in it but only members can see the posts.

You have to request to join it and PTA admin has to 'accept' your request.

This way we can ensure that **only people linked to our school can become members.**

Please find us on Facebook (see below) and press 'Join Group'.



The more tickets, the bigger the prize money! Play the lottery, support your school - it's that simple! Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week, with a top prize of £25,000!

[Click here to buy your ticket\(s\)!](#)
[Click here for more information!](#)

PTA Contact Information

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Who's Who

- CHAIR **Hannah Stephenson**
- VICE CHAIR **Sally Patrick**
- SECRETARY **Amy Lyon**
- TREASURER **Helen McClane**
- COMMUNICATIONS **Linzy Settle**