



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school term, and an incredibly **warm welcome to all of our new families** joining the school community for the first time! We hope you all had a fantastic, restful summer break. As a Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), our main goal is to bring our community together and raise vital funds to enrich our children's school experience. Thanks to your incredible generosity and support, we had an amazing year of fundraising.

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that through our various events we ended the school year with a **total of £1,300!**

We invested in our own sum up machine so we could take card payments which has been a great improvement! Thank you to everyone who helped and made fundraising achievable at the following events;

- **Mother's Day** and **Father's Day** gift workshops
- **Easter Egg hunt**
- **Sports Day** refreshments
- **End of Term Disco**
- Plenty of popular **cake and ice cream sales throughout the year!**

In addition to our usual school events, the wider community came together for the **Vernham Dean Village Fete**. We are delighted to share that the profits from this brilliant day were shared equally between **the PTA, Little Fingers Preschool, and the Playing Fields Association**, with each of us receiving £2,421.80! We are currently looking into how we can use our fundraising to put towards additional educational resources at our next meeting.

Get Involved! The PTA relies entirely on volunteers, and we are always looking for fresh ideas, a helping hand at events, or simply new friendly faces to join the team. Whether you can spare an hour a year or want to join the committee, you are so welcome. If you would like to join us, find out more, or share any ideas, **please email Nikki who can put you in touch with us or come and have a chat with our Chairman Hannah or Laura** in the playground!

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and here is to another fantastic year ahead.

Warm regards,



Laura, Vicky, Hannah

Friends of Vernham Dean School PTA Team