



# PTFA Open Meeting

Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## Introduction

The Parent-Teacher-Friends Association (PTFA) is delighted to announce an open meeting on Thursday, 26th February 2026. This meeting is an excellent opportunity for parents, teachers, and friends to come together, discuss important topics, and participate in the ongoing development of our school community.

## Agenda

- Welcome and Introduction: Opening remarks and an introduction to the meeting's objectives.
- Review of Previous Minutes: Discussion and approval of the minutes from the last meeting.
- Financial Report: Presentation of the current financial status and recent expenditures.
- Upcoming Events: Planning and discussion of upcoming events and initiatives, including fundraising activities.
- Volunteer Opportunities: Information on how to get involved and contribute to the PTFA's efforts.
- Open Floor: An open forum for attendees to voice their ideas, suggestions, and concerns.
- Closing Remarks: Summary of the discussions and outlining the next steps.

## Details

- Date: Thursday, 26th February 2026
  - Time: 6.30 PM – 7.30 PM
  - Location: The Grapes Pub - Belper
- 1) Welcome and Open the meeting –
    - A) Attendees – JH, EM, CG, MC
    - B) Apologies – NONE
  - 2) Previous meeting minutes – as per the last minutes the main subject was getting more requests from all age groups – it would be nice to fund everyone. We discussed what events were going to happen this next year.
  - 3) Treasurers update – In the bank as of 25<sup>th</sup> Feb was £1763.47. We do still have £1221.75 to pay out for the year 3 & 4 coach trip to Carsington £775, Living Eggs project £318, Xmas Decs for the new tree £61.65 and the Vision tree £67.10. This leaves us with £541.72. As you can see we haven't got much left in the funds so we really need to make sure the Easter raffle and Disco are successful and the event in July.
  - 4) Events since September – Autum Disco, Christmas Fair, Nativity refreshments and movie night. We discussed how the Christmas fair didn't raise as much as we had hoped but it was an enjoyable evening and everyone seemed to enjoy it. We also said if we were to run another movie night it would have to split into ages – infants and juniors on separate

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viewings, but said discos were more enjoyable as the children just want to meet up and have fun. Hopefully we can arrange more discos in the future.

We have used the money raised to go towards the pantomime, Heage Brass band and freddos, Christmas Books for nursery and reception and the Santa visit (this is in lieu of the pantomime). Advent calendars for every child, we paid for the reception outdoor resources and night cams and provided hot chocolate for a starry night walk.

We would like to thank again all the volunteers we had especially to help run the disco, Christmas Fair and movie night as without you we wouldn't have been able to put it on. So, a big thank you and hope you are available again for the Easter disco. If you would like to get involved more with the PTFA then please speak to one of us and we would love to discuss this with you.

The future funding requests we have received so far is for the living Eggs project for the reception children this is to take place in May. This year's pantomime to take place in December after last years was such a success and thoroughly enjoyed – although the funds for this will go out of next years budget we are mindful that this is due to be paid in December so all future requests will be considered once we know what we have already got earmarked to pay. The prom is in July, we haven't received a formal funding request for this yet, we have previously contributed a significant amount to this and at the moment in time we are running quite short on funds so all events need to be fully supported by all year groups especially year 6 to ensure continued support for this event. The movie night for example there were only 8 year 6's attend.

No one from the prom committee attended the meeting so we are still awaiting the official funding request for funds which Mrs Carvell acknowledged this needed to be done as per all the other teacher requests.

As stated in our treasurers report minutes from September 2025 -

#### **Future Funding Commitments**

No annual assumptions with regards to historical funding are to be made – this includes the contribution to the Year 6 prom. All funding requests are to be voted on by the PTFA committee, in line with the requirements of the Constitution.

- 5) Our upcoming events are the Easter Raffle Wed 25<sup>th</sup> March – we are doing coloured food / drinks hampers this time with donations hopefully from local supermarkets and parents, we are asking each year group to donate something in a particular colour to make hampers up. The Easter disco is Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March, with the added treat from the Easter Bunny! The Penny Jar challenge to hopefully go out after Easter, and the summer event is Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – back up date Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July which we are hoping to be a big fundraiser, I am still awaiting clarification from RS coaching about running an inflatable obstacle course this year. New starter parents meeting – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June and finally the Sports day refreshments in July. Mrs Carvell put forward a quiz night idea for adults and children, so we will look into this and see if there would be much uptake before we start planning it.
- 6) Any other business??? – Mrs Carvell put forward an idea from Mr Averis for the Belper 250 celebrations where he wants to do a hobby donkey race and asked if we would provide the broom sticks to make the hobby horses from. We said if you get us prices we will look into this as it's a great idea which will benefit all children at the school.

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New playground play equipment was mentioned and Mrs Carvell had looked at prices for renewing and repairing pieces that were broken but the costs look very high, I said maybe we could get a grant to help so Jo is looking into this but at the minute there isn't the funds to replace any equipment at the moment. We will look again at this in September once the next 2 event have taken place and see what funds we have.

- 7) Date and time of next meeting – propose to be held at The Grapes – awaiting a date from Mrs Carvell.

8) AGM proposed date for September is Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2026. This was confirmed ok.

- 9) Thank you and close the meeting.