



Aldryngton School PTA

Supporting your child's education

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PTA News
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Welcome to Academic Year 2025-2026!

Annual General Meeting: Wed 17th September, 7pm via Teams All Welcome

Aldryngton PTA is a charity run by parent and guardian volunteers. As a parent or guardian of a child at Aldryngton Primary School you are automatically a member of the PTA – Welcome! As a PTA member you can attend meetings, vote on proposals and make suggestions for spending or raising funds. We raise money to spend on improving equipment and resources to enhance our children's education and the facilities in the school in general. We promote closer links between home and school, and we bring staff, parents, pupils, and friends together in support of our school.

Please consider volunteering with the PTA, especially for the roles mentioned later in this newsletter.

Why Volunteer with the PTA?

- Make a meaningful impact in your child's school
- Connect with other engaged parents and staff
- Gain valuable experience in leadership and organization
- Have fun while helping build a stronger school community!

No prior experience needed—just a willingness to help and a heart for our school.

Communication from the PTA is primarily via the school office, but we also have a website and a Facebook group.

PTA Website: Alongside, the school website, the PTA has its own website where we save copies of all communications from the PTA:

<http://aldryngtonpta.com/> (there is a link on the school website under the community section).

Facebook: There is a Facebook closed group for parents with a child at Aldryngton for requesting and sharing information for all things school & community related.

If you would like to join, please locate the group and request to join. The name is: **Parents of Aldryngton Primary School Reading.**



PTA Secretary

The PTA is looking for a **Secretary** or maybe 2 people shared the role as this has helped in previous years. Help the PTA stay connected, coordinated, and effective with the school and parents/guardians in making a difference for our community.

What You'll Do:

- Take meeting minutes and keep records up to date
- Help coordinate communications between parents, teachers, and the PTA
- Support planning of events and initiatives like requesting Tens license from council etc
- Be a key voice in shaping our school's future and where we spend money.

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Diwali Fayre Lead and Planning Team

In recent years the PTA has organised a Diwali Fayre on a Friday after school during the Autumn Term. The event lead, or team will need to liaise with school for a suitable date and lead the organisation of the fayre before and during the event. The Diwali Fayre is a highlight of the Autumn Term with amazing food, cultural performances, and entertainment for all regardless of faith.

Wrap-a-Present Co-Lead

This popular event takes place during lunch time and gives children the opportunity to buy, wrap and tag presents for their family and friends. The co-lead will support the event lead, liaising with school and organizing on the week of wrap-a-present. Purchasing for Wrap-a-Present occurs during the January sales, if some January sales shopping appeals, then please consider volunteering.

Disco Co-Lead for Middle School/ Upper School

The PTA organise a school disco three times per year, once per term, usually just before the half-term holiday. The co-lead will need to support the event lead, liaising with school and DJ for suitable dates, purchasing supplies and then setting up and running the disco. Ideally this would be a parent with a child in Middle School or Upper School to particularly support with the later disco.

Create-a-Card Lead

Around Sept/ Oct time all children are invited to design a card with any design they wish which can be printed and purchased by parents to help raise money for the PTA. In the past this event has been used by families to purchase birthday, Christmas, and thank you cards all designed by your children. Without a volunteer this event will not be run this year. The lead for create a card will need to liaise with school for designing the cards, and sending the drafts and final cards out to families; and organize the payments and communication to the company that prints the cards.

If you would like to volunteer for the Secretary role, or any of the Events requiring a lead, please email the PTA Officers at ptaofficers@aldryngtonpta.com before the AGM on Wed 17th September.

We hope to see you at the Annual General Meeting on Wed 17th September at 7pm (via Teams)

For information, these are some of the events that the PTA have been able to run in previous years, none of which can happen without amazing people like you:

Autumn Term (Sep-Dec)	Spring Term (Jan-Apr)	Summer Term (May - Jul)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create-a-Card Disco & Family Lounge Diwali Fayre Textile collection Wrap a Present Christmas Fayre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disco & Family Lounge Mothers Day Pop up Shop Pool Club applications open Textile collection Easter Egg Hunt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tri-a-Tri Pool Club Disco & Family Lounge Fathers Day Pop up shop Eid Fayre Ice Lolly Sales



The PTA are collecting anything that is or was once money and we will turn your old or unwanted money into a valuable donation. We are collecting all foreign currency new and old including old British coins and notes. The collection bucket is situated in the school office foyer.