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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Fawbert and Barnard Infant School. We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and give you some information about what we do.

### What do the PTA do?



The PTA, also known as The Friends of Fawbert and Barnard, is a registered charity which is run by a group of parent volunteers. We host various fundraising events during the school year, with all of the profits going directly to the school. Our aim is to raise as much money as possible for the school and have lots of fun along the way!

### Where does the money go?



In the recent past the school has used funds to :

- Create a fixed fairy garden in the conservation area which has a bricked area with grass, fairy houses etc. This is to support the Year 1 topic 'Enchanted Woodland', but it is used by the entire school, especially at playtimes.
- Forest school leaders visit to enrich the learning experience for the children.
- With the new Education Inspection Framework comes a greater emphasis on reading and Mrs Brooker has been restocking and replenishing all the books in the school. The PTA are able to provide cash in addition to school funds to enhance this.
- Funds supported the purchase of a further 16 iPads to enhance learning.
- The PTA pays for the coaches for the Christmas pantomime trip to the Gordon Craig Theatre, water bottles for sports day, chocolate for the Easter egg hunt, year 2 leavers' books and party and many more treats for the children.



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## Events calendar



**Sadly In the past year it has been difficult to stick to our usual events calendar due to Covid-19 but we hope to get back to normal over the next 12 months. Here's a taster of what we would usually host:**

- February
  - Valentine's Disco
  - Bags2school (donate good quality used clothes, towels and soft toys)
- March
  - Sponsored read to tie in with World Book Day
  - Mother's Day secrets room; the children make gifts for mummy, granny or another special lady in their lives.
- April
  - Annual sponsored bounce
- May
  - Spring disco
  - Sawbo May fayre
- June
  - Summer fayre
  - Father's Day secrets room; the children make gifts for daddy, grandad or a special man in their lives.
  - Bags2school (donate good quality used clothes, towels and soft toys)
- July
  - Summer BBQ
  - Year 2 leavers disco
- September
  - AGM
  - Bags2school (donate good quality used clothes, towels and soft toys)
- October
  - Autumn disco
- November
  - Christmas fayre with Santa's grotto
- December
  - secrets room; the children can shop for family and friends in our pop up shop

All of these and many more! Such as dress down days, second hand uniform sales and playground sales.



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### School Lottery



New to our school community? Join our lottery!

- Help boost school funds, a fun way to support our school
- Win up to £25,000
- Cash prizes every week
- Join now for £1 a week
- visit: [yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://yourschoollottery.co.uk) search for: [Fawbert Infants](#)

### The Giving Machine



A quick and easy way to help donate to the PTA is by registering with the Giving Machine [www.TheGivingMachine.co.uk](http://www.TheGivingMachine.co.uk)  
Add 'Friends of Fawbert and Barnard' as your chosen charity and the school will get a percentage of what you spend online. All you do is go through the app before shopping online. Happy Shopping!!

### Parent Facebook groups



Each class year at F&B have their own Facebook group. This acts as a platform for class reps and the PTA to post reminders for parents, as well as parents to ask questions regarding schoolwork or activities.

The Reception Facebook group will be open to new parents on 23rd July 2021 – please search for it: **F&B Reception – Mercury & Jupiter 2021/2022**. When requesting to join the group please state your child's name and which class they are in.



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### Joining the PTA or becoming a Class Rep



We have a small committee and always require support to make these events happen. If you are able to support, have fresh ideas or are looking to join the committee please get in touch, we'd love to hear from you - [fabpta@gmail.com](mailto:fabpta@gmail.com).

We are looking for a new chairperson to take us forward into the 2021/2022 school year. After 2 years as chair it's time for me to take a step back. A full handover will be provided and I will stay on the committee as I love all of the events that we run and the lovely people on the committee. If you would like more information please contact the PTA email address above.

**Chair:** Lindsey Hughes **Secretary:** Alexandra Wright  
**Treasurers:** Vicki Bramley

The PTA is a great way to meet other parents at the school and strike up new friendships. We look forward to meeting you soon and welcoming your little ones to F&B.

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Lindsey Hughes  
Friends of Fawbert & Barnard PTA



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