

START OF YEAR - SEPTEMBER 2025

PTFA NEWSLETTER

Silsden Primary School PTFA



Welcome to everyone!

Hello and welcome to the first PTFA newsletter of this academic year 2025-2026! We hope the children are settling into school, whether it's for the first time or the start of a new year!

We have already got our calendar for the year all set and we're excited to get organising all these fun events for the year ahead.

Last year's fundraising spanned a variety of areas, such as extra climbing equipment, water play equipment, football, netball and running kits from a local supplier as well as the yearly Christmas gifts for all classes. This year we will be raising money for exciting new plans to improve the outdoor learning provisions. Look out for more details in the next newsletter!

Grants per year group will also be available again like last year. Teachers and school staff are welcome to put in a request for a grant.

We can't do this without the support of you all - as parents, carers, staff, families and the community, so thank you in advance. Here's to another wonderful year!

Gemma Corrigan and Gemma Smith
Co-Chairs - Silsden Primary School PTFA



Dates for your diary

PTFA AGM + Cheese and wine
THURS, 9TH OCT
AT SCHOOL

Halloween discos
MON, 20TH OCT - REC / Y3&4
TUES, 21ST OCT - Y1&2 / Y5&6

Dress down day
THURS, 23RD OCT - TOMBOLA
PRIZE DONATIONS

Fashion show
7PM THURS, 27TH NOV
AT SCHOOL

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Cheese and wine evening plus AGM

We're hosting a combined cheese and wine evening plus AGM on Thursday, 9th October at 7pm. We will be giving a short presentation about our end of year report, followed by voting in of this year's committee, and ending with free cheese and wine! If you are interested in taking up a committee role, please get in touch. We hope to see you there!



Meet the grandparents



A letter from our lovely Gwendda and Irene...

We joined the PTFA as grandparents of Edward, Logan and Lennie.

Taking them on the school-runs, we see the amazing school areas where money raised by the PTFA has enhanced the enjoyment of school activities.

We were made welcome right from the start and realised how few people there are and most of them working full time and doing so much for the school during evenings and weekends.

So we need more parents/grandparents this year to help support this great team and your school children. Your help can anything from helping to gift-wrap teddies for the summer fair, serving drinks at an event, washing up during the discos, selling raffle tickets, keeping the shed tidy, and lots more, including things that can be done from home! You don't need to help out at each event - if we have a larger team of helpers then we can spread the load.

Please come and join this amazing team!

Skipton Building Society Community Giving

Skipton Building Society has launched this year's Community Giving initiative and we have been nominated as one of the three charities to receive a cash donation!

All you need to do is vote for us in the Silsden branch of Skipton Building Society between 8th September and 3rd October 2025. The charity with the most votes will receive a cash donation of £1,000, followed by £600 for the runner up and a final £400 for the remaining good cause.



Please support us by voting for us in branch!



Recycle unwanted clothes at school

Got unwanted clothes and paired-up shoes that are cluttering up your hallway or car boot? Bring them to school and recycle them in the green box drop in the car park!. Once full, it's collected and we receive money in return.

We hope you've enjoyed this newsletter.
Please see the final page for a handy calendar!



Upcoming events for the year

We've put together a handy snapshot of all upcoming events for this academic year. Come and join the fun!

SEP 9th - First PTFA meeting	OCT 9th - AGM/cheese/wine 20th/21st - Discos 23 rd - Halloween dress-down (tombola prizes)	NOV TBC - Christmas cards & raffle tickets go on sale TBC - Stalls at local Christmas fairs 27th - Fashion show
DEC 15 th - Drawing of Christmas raffle!	JAN	FEB 13th - Break the rules/doughnuts day
MAR 24th/25th - Easter discos	APR	MAY 22nd - Colour run 2026!
JUN 19th - Dress-down (rainbow tombola prizes)	JUL 3rd - Summer Fair TBC - Personalised tea towels & more go on sale TBC - Y6 Leavers 'Silsfest'	 

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