

HOLMESDALE PSA NEWSLETTER



WELCOME ISSUE | SEPTEMBER 2020 | HOLMESDALE PARENTS & STAFF ASSOCIATION | REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1131038

PSA stands for Parent Staff Association, a group who work together for the benefit of the school. The main role is to raise money for Holmesdale School to make it even more special.

Despite the challenging circumstances and having to cancel a number of events the PSA donated £17,951 to the school last year, this was used for everything from pencils to IT software... even refurbishing the pond!

The PSA runs the school uniform shop and organises events, both for fundraising purposes and to help build a sense of community in the school. We are busy working on Covid secure fundraising events at the moment; if you have any ideas or suggestions please do get in touch, talk to your class rep, or join us at the PSA meeting. We would love to hear from you!

We will send out **newsletters to keep you up to date** on events and expect to receive **reminders from your class reps.** The easiest way to stay up to date is via the **PSA events website, but you will need to sign up first and don't forget to join your class emailing list!**

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/holmesdale/>

THERE ARE LOTS OF EASY WAYS TO HELP

Uniform Donations

Thank you to everyone who has donated school uniform. The collection box will continue to be outside the school office (when it's dry!). Please note, we don't sell the red polo shirts so please don't include these in your donations.



Easyfundraising

Help raise funds for the school through your online shopping using Easyfundraising, at NO EXTRA COST TO YOURSELF!



<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/holmesdaleschoolreigategpsa/>

Amazon Smile

Select Holmesdale School Parents and Staff Association and Amazon donates 0.5%

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/>



CALLING ALL LOCAL BUSINESSES!

Gold and Silver Sponsorship packages are available. Contact Mary Kirkup, our Sponsorship Coordinator, for more details!

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

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THE PSA COMMITTEE

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PSA MEETING

THURSDAY 1st OCTOBER

at 7.30pm!

Everyone is welcome to the PSA Meeting, please do join us to find out more about the PSA and to help make important decisions on our fundraising efforts for this year.

We would normally hold these in school but have switched to a virtual meeting due to the Covid pandemic. Please feel free to join us for the hour or for however long you can.

To join our PSA Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9731409076?pwd=MG5WK1IFbjlwVHJWk2NQVki5UitSZz09>

THANK YOU!

As always we would like to start the year with a massive thank you to all of the parents and carers who have given their time, money and support to the PSA. We literally could not do this without you. Your support for the Home School T-shirts, Leavers T-shirts, and your generous donations managed to keep us moving forward in a way which didn't seem possible back in April.

We also owe a massive THANK YOU to Vicki, our fantastic Shop Coordinator, who has single handily parcelled up over 260 uniform orders placed through our website over the summer. Aside from this helping all of us to send our children back into school ready to go, this has also contributed much needed funds for the PSA!

Amongst those orders were many purchases of our brilliant bottle bags! Lock Down didn't stop our wonderful volunteers from making enough to keep us in stock, we owe them a big thank you also!

I would like to thank every parent and carer who has given time, support, and money to the PSA during these challenging times. Your imagination and collaboration have raised funds in new and creative ways; continuing to help us develop our school and learning environment.

The children learn so much from you as parents and when you help the PSA you are showing them how a community is built. THANK YOU!



Mrs Mullarkey
Head Teacher



FUNDRAISING TOTAL FOR 2019-2020: £20,942!!

£9,586

Christmas Fair, Trees, and puddings!

Our best ever year for our biggest event. Here's hoping for a fabulous return in 2021!

£1,633

Tuck Shop and Cake Sales

Thank you to everyone who contributed to them, from the bakers to the buyers!

£1,429

Donations...

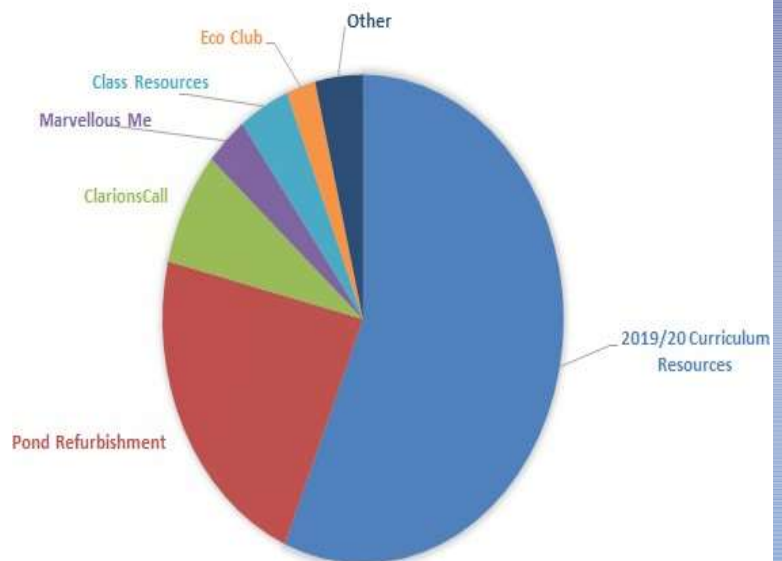
From declining refunds for cancelled events to birthday fundraisers, this is a truly amazing amount for us to have received!

£8,294

Other Stuff...

From the PSA Shop, sponsorship packages, wreath making evening, panto, Christmas cards and T-shirts!

DONATIONS TO SCHOOL



GOT IDEAS, QUESTIONS OR ABLE TO HELP?

We would love to hear from you!

Email holmesdalepsa@gmail.com