

# LITTLE BOWDEN PTA NEWSLETTER



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## And just like that the academic year is over!

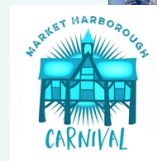
This half term has been super busy for us as it included our biggest event of the year, the Summer Fete. We have also funded a total of **£3,065** on educational visits, equipment and treats for the pupils this half term. We have financially supported every year group during the academic year either through a visit off site or experience day on site. Thank you to you, the families, the school and the wider community, for supporting our events to help raise funds to enrich the school life for all pupils at Little Bowden Primary.

## What have we been up to this half term?

### Carnival Showground Stall - Saturday 8th June

At the town Carnival on June 8th, our school PTA's "Spin the Wheel" stall was a huge success! With prizes of jolly jars and punch balloons, everyone won something, adding to the joyous atmosphere. The sun shone brightly as we enjoyed the colourful floats, with a special shout-out to Little Bowden School's impressive display.

It was wonderful to see such strong community support, and we're thrilled to announce that we **raised £327** for the PTA fund. Thank you to everyone who participated!



### Summer Fete - Saturday 22nd June

The sun was out and the drinks were flowing at our second summer fete on Saturday 22nd June. After the success of last year's fete, we didn't think it would be possible to top it, but that's exactly what happened! This year's fete ran for an extra hour with a BBQ, bar, musical performances from some of the students, an ice cream van and even an appearance from a fire engine! Pupils, adults and staff enjoyed stalls including the lucky dip, spinning wheel, human fruit machine, splat the rat, beat the goalie, wellie wanging, and of course the tombolas. The highlight of the afternoon was the much-anticipated dunk the teacher, which Mr Brannigan won (or lost!) for the second year running.

We are hugely grateful for the many fantastic prizes that were donated by local and national businesses for the summer raffle - head to our social media pages for the full list - and to Charlottes Cakes and Bakes and Morsbags for attending the event, to Wesses Bakery and John Ross Butchers for supplying the BBQ food, to Bar Fifty Eight for sponsoring the adult tombola stall and to By Ruthie for capturing the event with some wonderful photos.

This year **we raised a phenomenal £3237** which will go towards extra resources and trips for Little Bowden pupils throughout next year. So, a huge thank you to all who attended, we hope you had fun, but in particular our amazing team of volunteers, without whom, none of this would be possible!

Same again next year?

## And more...

### Preloved Uniform Sales - Tuesday 2nd July

It's always a good opportunity to stock up on new items for the next term. Thank you to everyone who came along, **we raised £200**, stopped lots of items going to landfill and helped families save a little money on uniform.

### How can you help? With Name Labels...

You can support the PTA when you order name tags for uniform/shoes/water bottles etc through Stikins and MyNameTags.

Quote our ID when you order:

**Stikins - 12058**

**MyNameTags - 32515**

### Frozen Fridays - Friday 28th June & 5th July

We held ice lolly sales after school for the last two Fridays, a treat for the pupils during the warmer end of term. On week one we sold out 184 ice lollies in 15 minutes, which must be a record, so we upped our stock for week two. **£124 raised** for the PTA. Thank you for supporting Frozen Fridays.



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## Meet the Team

### LITTLE BOWDEN SCHOOL PTA Meet the Team



**WILL**

GRANTS OFFICER

Dad to 3 girls, all at LBPS, EYFS, Yr 3 & Yr 6. I currently work at the University of Northampton, but away from work I enjoy exercise (cycling particularly) and anything to do with motorbikes. I look forward to working closely with other PTA members in applying for money to deliver large projects that'll support the children at LBPS

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**STEPHANIE**

PUBLICITY OFFICER

Hello. I have a little boy in Year 1. Joining the PTA was always going to be part of the journey. Working full-time I wanted the opportunity to meet other parents and help my community. Grateful to be doing it with this bunch of amazing people.



# What has the PA funded this half term?

## £335 - Trim Trail Repair in the front playground



*The whole experience was EPIC!*  
[Year 6 Pupil]

## £573 - Year 2 Trip to East Carlton Park - Monday 3rd June

The pupils engaged in two educational activities funded by the PTA. During "Habitats and Animal Homes," they explored food chains by collecting and identifying wildlife.

In "Ranger Rex," the children learned survival skills, including evading danger, sourcing food and water, building shelters, and starting fires from scratch. The trip concluded with a fun-filled time at the playground, where the rope-end swing was a particular favourite (Mr Eardley could have sold tickets!)



## £700 - Year 6 Trip to The National Justice Museum - Wednesday 5th June

To enrich the Year 6 history curriculum, the PTA funded £700 to support this visit. The pupils visited the cells and took part in an immersive court case. It looks like they all had an amazing day out.



*It was very interesting!*  
Amber

*It was really entertaining, lots of things to do - bedrooms on the ceiling!*  
Cassius

*They had sports equipment to play with outside, that was nice.*  
Jasper

*I love the chimney we could climb*  
Teddy

## £553 - Year 1 Trip to National Museum of Childhood - Thursday 6th June And an Annual Membership for the National Trust for the school



## £31.95 - Post Sports Day Ice Lolly Treat

To celebrate a fantastic sports day, and all the children doing so well in the heat, the PTA thought they all deserved an ice lolly.

These were given out at break time the day after so the children could enjoy them and cool off from the hot weather!



## £470 - Year 6 Leavers Books

Year 6 pupils received a leavers book to remember their time at Little Bowden School during the leavers assembly. The PTA contributed £470 towards the cost. We wish Year 6 all the best for their next chapter at secondary school.



## £90 - Outdoor Portable Speaker

## £313 - New Starter Bags

On Tuesday 2nd July the school welcomed the new starters and their parents for their transition day. The PTA gave a talk to the new parents about who we are and handed out a 'parents goodie bag' to enjoy on their child's first day at school. We are very excited to see you again in September and will have a Little Bowden backpack for each child and an ice lolly to celebrate their first full day!





# DATES 2024

FOR YOUR DIARY



## JOIN US !

### NEW PTA VACANCY CHAIRPERSON

We are looking for a Chairperson to provide leadership for the committee

If you are interested or would like to discuss the role please get in touch.

[littlebowdenpta@gmail.com](mailto:littlebowdenpta@gmail.com)



The PTA is always looking for new committee members and our AGM is the perfect time to put your name forward. We are especially looking for a new Chairperson to take the reins from the end of September. If you are interested, please drop us an email.

Event	Date, Time, & Location
PTA Meeting	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> August, 7.30pm. THE THREE SWANS
PTA AGM	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September, 7.00pm. LITTLE BOWDEN SCHOOL

# Have a fantastic summer holiday!

WE'LL SEE YOU ALL BACK ON  
TUESDAY 27TH AUGUST

*Little Bowden PTA*



## THANK YOU FOR AN AMAZING YEAR

