

## What can the Friend's do for you?

Meet new people in your local community and make new friends.

Use your skills or gain some new ones.

Give you a voice to say how funds are spent for your child.

Involve you in school life.

If you wanted to know more or were interested in becoming involved with the Friends then you could fill in a message slip and post it in our box in the Atrium, contact us by any of the methods mentioned, alternatively you can speak to any of the committee members at any time by catching us in the playground you can often recognise us by our Lakenham Primary Friends badges.

### **So if you feel you would like to help:**

Making or selling cakes,

Manning a stall

Selling or folding raffle tickets

Setting up or clearing away at events

Helping at school discos

Photographing events for the school VLE friends page

### **Then please contact us:**

Our next meeting date and time is on the notice board come along a join us for a coffee!

## Lakenham Primary School Friends



Lakenham Primary Friends PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is so called to enable all community members to take part, so your child could have left school but you can still help us.

All parents and carers of Lakenham Primary School automatically become an ordinary member of the PTA and if you would like to help more then we would love to welcome you as a committee member.

## **Why do we have a Friend's group?**

The friends exist to provide closer links between school and home.

### **What is our aim?**

Our aim is to provide additional funds and support to the school community throughout the school year and we give you a voice in how the funds collected are spent for the children.

### **We do this by raising funds for events such as:**

Holding termly discos	Raffles
Cake stalls	Sponsored events
Sweet stalls	Mufti days

### **During the last academic year we have used the money to pay for things for your child such as:**

- Water bottles for all new children in school
- A pantomime visit at Christmas
- A Christmas party and presents for all the children
- House prizes and the house cup
- Trees and top soil for the outdoor project
- A new shed for reception
- The head-teachers achievement postcards
- Play equipment for reception
- Goalposts and sport clothing for the football team
- Phase 1 teacher resources
- Phase 2 teacher resources
- Inspire Science Centre's visit and whole school show

## **Friend's Meetings**

We have termly committee meetings where we make decisions on what to buy and how to raise funds.

We have informal meetings as well where we share ideas and allocate up and coming jobs.

We welcome anybody to any of these meetings.

We keep in touch by e-mail, our notice board in the atrium (where we have our pictures so that you can recognise us!) and outside school, on the school website in the school newsletter and VLE (Virtual Learning Environment) and by text!

If you wanted to know more then you could contact us by any of these methods or catch us in the playground when we are dropping off or collecting our children, you can often recognise us by our Lakenham Primary Friends badges.

### **You can help without being committed.**

Any assistance is greatly appreciated whether it is for 10 minutes helping to collect mufti items or for 3 hours while you run a stall! There are lots of ways you could help; we need people to do everything from taking photographs of our events in action to helping at discos.