



## Hawes School Parents, Teachers and Friends Association

Hawes Community Primary School, Hawes, DL8 3RQ

Registered Charity No: 1051024

**September 2022**

### **Hawes Primary School Parent, Teacher & Friends Association**

Hawes Primary School PTFA is a small, friendly group of parents/carers and teachers who hold informal meetings every half term or so to discuss and organise fundraising events to raise money for the school.

After a bit of a lull due to covid, we are hoping to be able to hold a variety of fundraising events again this academic year and have already written cheques totalling over £800 to contribute towards the cost of swimming lessons and the year 4/5/6 residential in March. In the past we have also fully funded class trips for the whole school, provided iPads and equipment/toys for the outside areas, bought prizes for various competitions during the year, eggs from the Easter Bunny and a treat from Santa if he visits!! Without the help of the PTFA it would be up to the school itself and the parents to fully fund these trips/events, many of which would not be possible at all.

The money is raised by holding various events throughout the year including discos, fairs and family fun nights. These events would not be possible without the help and generosity of organisers and supporters. We are always on the lookout for new ideas and input and welcome anyone interested in helping out - no special skills required just a willingness to lend a hand! Just by having a child at the school, you become a member of the PTFA, how involved you become is totally up to you! Being an active part of the PTFA is by no means a huge commitment, we're just a bunch of busy/working people/parents/carers who help out whenever we can, organising and running vital fundraising events for the benefit of all children at the school.

We have set the date of Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December for our annual Christmas Fair which is held in the Market Hall in town. Not only is this the biggest fundraiser of the year, it's also a great fun, family day with lots of games and stalls to keep everyone entertained and plenty of opportunity 'to buy last minute Christmas gifts. Keep an eye out for more details of all of our events in the school newsletter throughout the year.

**Our next meeting is being held on Tuesday morning – 9am in the shared area in school.** Everyone is very welcome to attend and it would be great to see some new faces there. Please feel free to stop any of the committee members in the playground if you would like any more information or speak to Dawn in the office or Miss Caygill, they can point you in the right direction!

Many Thanks,

Anna Fagg, Lindsey Whaley and Emma Blades