

FRIENDS OF LYMM HIGH

We have had another busy and successful fundraising year at Lymm High PTA, the funds of which have contributed to the 'Hall Together' campaign.

We were delighted to have new members join us from the new cohort of Year 7 and look forward to more joining us in September. New faces with fresh ideas are essential to keeping the 'Friends of Lymm' running and we welcome all members of the school community to join us.

We have stocked and manned the bars at the school production of *'Footloose'*, Open Evening and musical events, and are delighted that so many volunteered to help. July is another busy month for us as we have bars at the school production of *'Sister Act'* as well as the Summer Concert. Of the people getting refreshments at the events, many have commented that it really enhanced their night out knowing there would be a well-stocked bar with really reasonable prices!

As well as internal fundraising in school, we have also been out in the

wider community collecting for the Santa Float in December and volunteering for Transport Day. Both of these events rely on volunteers to run and raise a huge amount for all the local charities in Lymm. We had a record number of volunteers for the Santa Float, and this helped raise over £600 for school funds.

Everyone who volunteered on behalf of Lymm PTA commented how rewarding

these events were and, without people volunteering to help, these fantastic village events could not run.

We also like to run events for the students and so our infamous Doughnut Days have been well received yet again – with hundreds of doughnuts flying out at breaktime to lots of smiles and "Thank yous" from the students! The next one is planned for 23rd October.





One particularly successful event we have ran again is the High Legh Village afternoon teas. This year saw lots of volunteers baking and helping out on the day, which was fantastic! It was also great to see lots of students and their families attending the afternoon to enjoy all the fantastic homemade cakes! This is a lovely community event, and it is great to see Lymm High now firmly part of it every year.

With our fundraising this year we have been really pleased to give school a cheque for £12,000 to go towards the 'Hall Together' project (see p.6) and we hope to add more to this with the additional events coming up.

We have lots more planned for the next academic year and would love more

volunteers to join us. We have big fundraising targets and big events planned. We meet once a term but if you can't commit to this, but would still like to get involved, then that is fine. Any help at all is appreciated. Whether this is helping us count money after events, volunteering for the Santa Float or Transport Day, manning a PTA event bar, buying stock, helping us

market events or match funding. You may have an idea for fundraising that you can share or run – any support is appreciated!

Lastly, we would just like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has helped out with PTA this year. For those who have volunteered, you have made a difference and without you we could not continue! The fundraising really makes a difference and is appreciated. We look forward to continuing with our success next year.

Our first meeting of the new academic year is on 23rd September. Look out for social media and Class Chart notices for more details. All are welcome. Have a fantastic summer!

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