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Dear Parents/Carers

It's the start of the new school year and the **Edgbarrow PTA** is busy making fundraising plans for the coming months. We'd love you to be involved!

We're always looking for volunteers to help, so if you're new to the school and keen to find out more about what's going on, or if you've been part of the school for a while, but think you have a few hours a year to spare, do [get in touch](#) and let us know if you'd like to join our PTA email list or WhatsApp group.

The things we need help with might be refreshments or room setup for live events. Or behind the scenes with the second-hand uniform sales, organising a raffle, Quiz night or other activity.

If you're feeling up to taking on something bigger, we welcome people who'll take on individual projects through the year, such as applying for grants for local funding, helping manage events such as the Christmas Shopping Evening or Careers Fair, or coming up with brand new fundraising ideas! "Many hands make light work" and it's a fun way to get to know other parents.

If you work for an organisation that offers match-funding for volunteer/charity work, then a few hours of volunteering a year or even at one event can help us raise even more funds for the school.

We have a small, friendly group of volunteers spanning all year groups – so you probably already know someone who's part of the PTA.

Follow us on [Facebook](#) to keep up to date with our news.

## Upcoming PTA AGM - Tuesday 26th September 7pm to 8.30pm

Our AGM will take place at the school on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September. The meeting usually lasts an hour and a half and includes an interesting update from the school on plans for the academic year ahead.

It's the end of an era this year as our Vice-Chair (and previously Chair), Richard Love, will be stepping down as his son has now left Edgbarrow School. If you're interested in taking on the Vice Chair role, we'd love to hear from you.

At the AGM, all PTA roles are up for re-election. Our current Chair, Ella Page, and Treasurer, Lisa Kemp intend to stand again. We are looking for an Assistant Treasurer to support Lisa. Our current Secretary, Catherine Nottage, is standing again, but this will be her last year as Secretary, so if anyone is keen to take on the role either straightaway this year or next, do let us know.

If you're interested in joining us in any capacity, please email [PTA@edgbarrowschool.co.uk](mailto:PTA@edgbarrowschool.co.uk) and let us know whether you'll be attending the AGM in-person or virtually.

We look forward to welcoming lots of new members!

With best wishes,

Ella, Richard, Catherine, Lisa and the rest of the PTA team