



Dear Parents/Carers

We would like to offer you a very warm welcome from the Guilsborough Academy PTA. We are a group of dedicated parents and staff, whose main aim is to raise money to help the academy develop new and exciting opportunities for our students across the academy and curriculum. We are a proactive PTA with events going on throughout the year, and consequently we need help to make our events run smoothly and successfully.

## Why join the PTA?

The PTA is a wonderful way of getting to know other families and staff whilst making a real contribution. Your time, talents and support however much you give are always welcome and very much appreciated. We have two types of members:

- 1. Full time members who attend meetings and help organise refreshments at events, including parent evenings, open evenings, academy productions and music concerts.
- 2. Friends of the PTA who offer help at events, serving refreshments and selling raffle tickets when they can.

If you would like to volunteer, please complete the reply slip and return to reception or by email: <a href="mailto:pta@guilsborough.northants.sch.uk">pta@guilsborough.northants.sch.uk</a>. We look forward to hearing from you.

## Other ways to support the PTA.

There are many ways you can get involved with the school, whatever your circumstance, interests or skill set. So, if you don't think the PTA is for you, you can still make a valuable contribution by supporting our other fundraising. For example:

**Bags2school** – support the PTA by donating good quality clothes, handbags, shoes and soft toys. We have several collections a year and students gain house points for each bag that is donated. Bags are available from Reception and filled bags can be dropped off at anytime throughout the year.

**Easyfundraising** – Do you shop online? Do it through easyfundraising.org.uk and raise a free donation for Guilsborough Academy PTA every time you shop. There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, Thomson Holidays, The Trainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra.

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

- 1. Go to https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/guilsboroughacademypta/ and join for free.
- 2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
- 3. After you have checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause at no extra cost to you. There are no catches or hidden charges and Guilsborough Academy PTA will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and we look forward to meeting you at Guilsborough Academy Events where the PTA will be selling refreshments.

Please complete and return to <u>info@guilsborough.northants.sch.uk</u> or return to Guilsborough Academy. Alternatively, please email <u>pta@guilsborough.northants.sch.uk</u> to register your interest.

Parent Name:
Email address:
Contact numbers:
Student name:
Please tick the areas you are interested in:
Becoming a full member of Guilsborough Academy PTA
Becoming a friend of PTA and helping out as and when you can
Contact
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