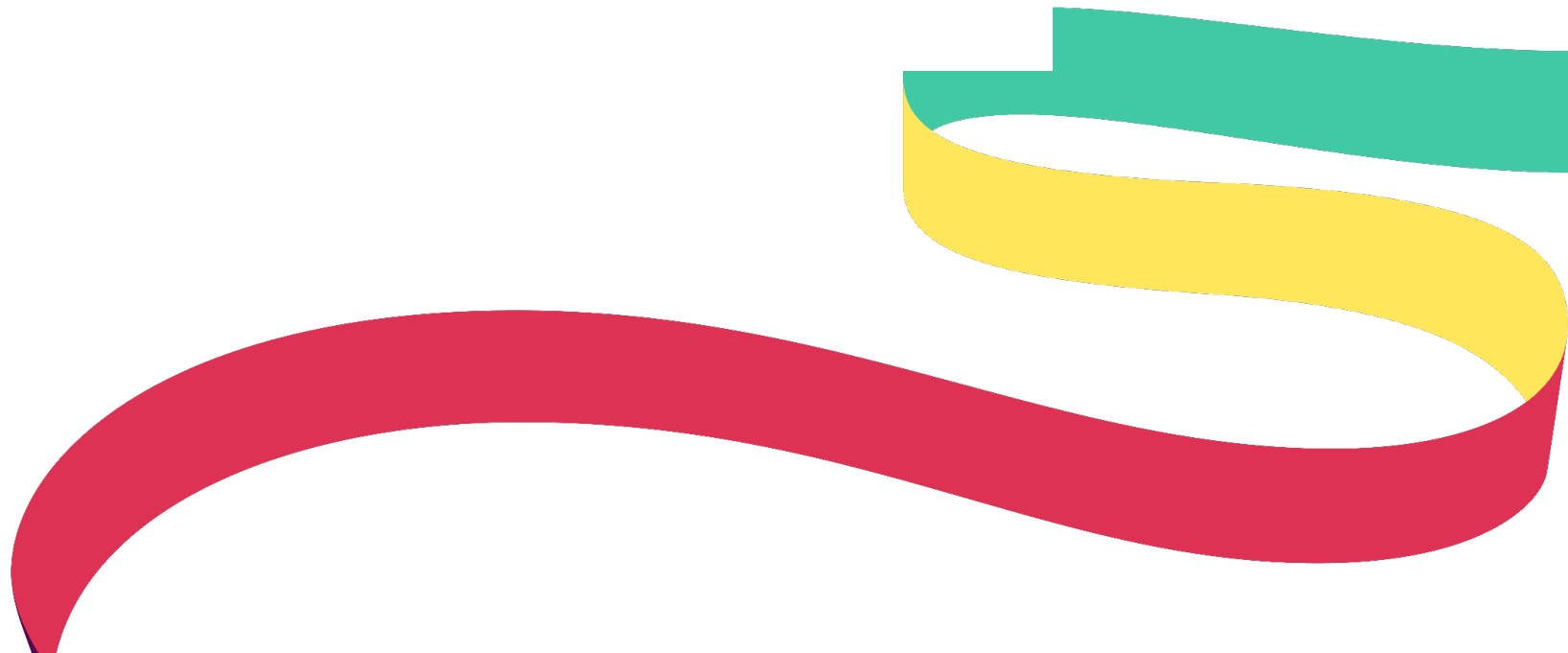


Welcome to the Curdridge School Association (CSA)



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Welcome to your PTA

All parents and carers at Curdridge Primary School are automatically a member of the Curdridge School Association (CSA) now that your child has enrolled in the school.

What is the CSA?

The CSA is the Parent Teacher Association for Curdridge Primary School. It is a community of parent and carer volunteers working alongside the school to benefit the school and ensure that our children have the best educational experience during their time at Curdridge Primary School.

The PTA is a small charity that is independent from the school.



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How does the CSA benefit the school?

- We raise money to fund school trips, equipment, activities and resources that are not funded by central government – essentially all those little extra's that help to make school a fantastic experience for our children;
- We provide a social support network for parents through the events that we run. Supporting our events means that you get to meet other parents and care givers from our school community;
- We provide opportunities for our children to socialise and mix with other children outside of the day-to-day school activities.





Successes:

The CSA's fundraising efforts have made a significant contribution to the school community.

- In the last two academic years, the CSA raised just over £8,100
- Donations during this time amounted to just over £12,500 and included:
 - ◆ Theatre trips/workshops
 - ◆ Class outings
 - ◆ Musical instruments
 - ◆ Year 6 leavers celebrations
 - ◆ Gardening equipment
 - ◆ iPads
 - ◆ Storage lockers
 - ◆ Outside play equipment & playground updates
 - ◆ Interactive screens in classrooms
 - ◆ Prizes for Easter competitions and the Young Apprenticeship schemes
 - ◆ TV Screen and surround sound for the Main Hall.

We run an extensive timetable of events throughout the school year:

- Welcome Back BBQ
- Film Nights
- Christmas Fair
- Christmas Shop
- Cake Sales
- Pre-Loved Uniform Sales
- Summer Fair
- Mothers Day Tea
- Spring Disco
- Colouring competitions
- Quiz nights
- Family Bingo



“How can my skills be useful?”



Although a warm welcome is great, there's more to PTA activities than home baking and serving tea:

- *Any* parent or care giver can be a member, and *you all* have skills to bring, from graphic design to gardening; from events management to balancing the books; and from wrapping up lucky dip gifts to handing out flyers!
- We are always in need of more hands to help and there are lots of ways to get involved.





“How much time can I commit?”

- Some of our most active volunteers work full-time, or have other commitments
- We all have lives away from school, and it is OK to say “no”
- Examples of how you can support the CSA other than participating in the events we put on could include:
 - Helping to sort secondhand uniform
 - Contributing to or helping to write our newsletter
 - Signing up to our cause through The Giving Machine and Amazon Smile to raise money whilst you shop online
 - Helping with a particular event – either behind the scenes helping to plan and organise or assisting at the event itself



The CSA is a member of Parentkind



Our PTA is one of nearly 14,000 members of Parentkind. Being a member provides us with advice and support, ensuring that:

- we run our PTA well and according to good practice
- our events are properly insured, legal and safe
- Visit parentkind.org.uk and subscribe for all the latest updates. There are also lots of free resources to help your child be school ready.
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- Parent page: facebook.com/Parentkind.org.uk/
- PTA page: facebook.com/PTAExpertbyParentkind/
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- For more information about the CSA and how you can get involved please visit : www.curdridgeprimaryschool.co.uk/csa/
- We also recommend joining our Facebook page. It is a closed group, only open to parents and care-givers of our school community and gives news and updates on CSA events and school news: www.facebook.com/groups/CurdridgeSchoolAssociation/
- If you would like to have a chat with us, please email us at curdridgeschoolassociation@gmail.com with your contact details so that a member of the CSA can give you a call.

