



## MESSAGE FROM PAFA...

Dear Families and Friends of Birch School,

We hope you have had a lovely Easter break and welcome back to a new summer term!

Last term was full of fun with our first Family Bingo night. Thank you to all that came and to Olly Marshall who kindly hosted the evening. We also managed a winter disco, spring spruce up, coffee afternoon, cake sale and a lovely afternoon of Easter fun. Our half term Smartie Challenge was also a great success. In total last term we raised.....Thank you everyone, as without your participation and generosity we could not raise vital funds for the school.

This term sees our annual Summer fete return, this is always a super afternoon of music, traditional stalls and games, ice creams and so much more. Back again this year we have J&Ks catering serving hog roast baps with all the trimmings and options for non meat eaters., We hope to have all the favourites plus some new stalls and activities this year so please add it to your calendar and join us for a lovely afternoon. As always, we need a lot of helpers to make the event work so please let us know if you can run a stall, set up or tidy away, email BirchPAFA@outlook.com.

A final note, after 3 years supporting PAFA, our chairperson, Beth, will be stepping down at the end of this year. It is a perfect time for someone new to step in with fresh ideas and a chance to take on this rewarding role. Please let us know if you are interested in joining our team.

*Jeann Paifa*

## Upcoming Events

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May  
2.30pm  
Uniform Swapshop

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May  
Break the rules day  
(in exchange for a tombola prize)

Friday 20th June 2025  
Summer Fete  
3.30-5.30pm

July (TBC)  
Ice cream shop  
Afterschool

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**HELP**

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER FETE**

**please email [BirchPAFA@outlook.com](mailto:BirchPAFA@outlook.com)**

## **Interested in joining PAFA?**

We are a small group of volunteers and always need some more help. Please email us if you are interested in helping. [BirchPAFA@outlook.com](mailto:BirchPAFA@outlook.com)

## **Current Vacancies**

### **Chairperson**

This role suits someone who is organised, enjoys planning events and working with a super team. Whilst workload varies, this role is ideal for someone with additional time in the week.

# 2 ways you can support your school without getting off the sofa!



## Feeling lucky?

Birch Primary school lottery has been set up specifically to raise money for the school and our children! By buying lottery tickets from only £1 per week, you can support the school and have a chance to win some money yourself too. Each week your ticket will be entered into a draw to win a guaranteed prize for someone at the school, and also entered into the all schools lottery to win a possible jackpot prize of £25,000! The more people that enter, the more the school's guaranteed prize money goes up - and the more money we can raise for Birch Primary School.

It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back. PAFA raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - providing extra resources for the school, improving the school environment and contributing to extra-curricular activities.

Go to <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play> and search for Birch C of E Primary School, your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

## Just want to donate?

We know times are hard at the moment so please do not feel obliged. However, if you wish to just make a donation please see our bank details below. Please reference your name so we can thank you!

Birch School Parents & Friends Association.  
Barclays Bank,  
Sort Code: 20-97-40,  
Account No: 701 736 06



## Did you know..?

Whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday– you could be raising free donations for Birch Primary School with easyfundraising?

There are over 4,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation – including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/birchpafa> and join for free. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to Birch Primary School at no extra cost to you whatsoever! There are no catches or hidden charges and Birch Primary School will be really grateful for your donations. These donations make a BIG difference to us and don't cost you anything extra, so please keep us in mind while you're grabbing a bargain.

Pafa funds help to pay for a range of different things which will benefit your child, such as a pantomime experience, a visit from Father Christmas, school disco, class resources and so much more!

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## Events Calendar

