Welcome to the PTA

What is the PTA?

The Parent Teacher Association is an open community of parent volunteers working alongside the school/teachers/and other "friends" to benefit the school and ensure the best educational experience for all its pupils.

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

How does the PTA benefit our school?

Parents and care givers have a big impact on how well their kids do at school. Taking an active role in your PTA is one of the ways you can make a difference and get involved:

- We raise money to fund school initiatives through charity activities and events.
- We provide volunteers and opportunities so that parents can support their child's learning.
- We help to reduce the cost of school trips for parents.
- We provide resources for classrooms.

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 can be a member, and every parent has 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!
- Could you help?

What skills do you have that we may need?

How much time can I commit?

- It doesn't matter if you work full-time, part- time, or are a stay at home parent, or have other commitments anytime you can give is welcomed.
- If your child has younger siblings, the PTA is a great way to familiarise them with their future school.
- We all have lives away from school, and it's OK to say "no"
- Examples of how you can commit, either at an event or behind the scenes, include:
 - sort secondhand uniform
 - volunteer at events
 - sort raffle tickets/ prizes
 - > volunteer at an after-school club e.g sewing club/ creators club
 - create leaflets and posters
 - bake for cake sales

Stay in touch:

 For info on activities and events see our Facebook page Edgewood PTA or contact us by email at <u>pta@edgewood.notts.sch.uk</u>.

Any Questions?