



PARENTS ASSOCIATION
LOXWOOD SCHOOL

PALS NEWSLETTER: SPRING TERM 2025

Welcome!

We have hit the half way mark for the School Year and with lighter days ahead PALS are looking at planning the next big event to finish this year's fundraising with a colourful bang!

We are aiming to switch things up this year and do a Colour Run event in the summer term rather than the traditional summer fair. We are at the initial stages of planning this event and we need your help. Are you a whizz at marketing and able to approach local companies to sponsor? Do you know local craft people that would like to host a stall? Are you the king or queen of BBQ?

We are pulling together an event committee to run this event so if you are interested please email: palsloxwood@gmail.com.

How can I help?

By being involved!

Events: Fancy running an event with fellow parents from your class? Or join the Christmas fair or summer fair committees.

Meetings: Your opinions matter. Come along and add your ideas to the group.

Share your skills: Are you great at marketing or have a wide network of potential sponsors? We need you!

Volunteer: Don't have time to organise events but want to help? Then please sign up to volunteer at events. They can't run without you.

PALs Team

Chair: Jasmine Hollis

Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: Pippa Court

Uniform: Vacant

Events: Laura Covey, Emma O'Malley & Alisha Russell

Would you like to take on a role or to be a part of the general committee? Please get in touch!



What is PALS?

PALS stands for Parents Association Loxwood School and every single parent, grand parent and primary carer are members of the charity with the primary focus to raise funds for Loxwood Primary School. We organise a whole calendar of different events, run the secondhand uniform shop and ultimately fundraise to fill the gaps in Government funding.

Did you know?

So far this academic year we have:

- Funded classroom setups, this year focusing on new books.
- Paid for Tapestry so parents can get updates of classroom activities.
- Bought crackers for Christmas lunch.
- Helped facilitate the SEND Hub Project.

Playground Pirate Ship Fundraiser

An all weather pirate ship has been designed for creative play throughout the school year. This is specifically for KS1 as KS2 was the main focus last year with the purchase of a full suite of Chromebooks.

Cost: £12,000

Money Raised So Far: £8,000

Money Needed: £4,000



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SPRING TERM EVENTS:

28th February: Quiz Night

This was a great night run by Year 3 parents headed by Alex Brayshaw which raised an amazing £866.63!

Thank you to everyone who attended, the parents who organised the event and cooked a great chilli dinner, and the teachers who proved that they were the smartest of the bunch.

3rd April: Easter Bunny Hop Disco

Tickets are now on sale for the Easter Bunny Hop Silent Disco!

Reception: 4pm - 4.45pm

Year 1-3: 5pm - 5.50pm

Year 4-6: 6pm - 7pm

Head to 'My Child at School' App to order tickets and if you would like to support the Reception Parents who are running this event, please do get in touch with your Class Rep for more information.

PALs Sales

Easyfundraising partners with over 8,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand. Brands pay a commission when you start your shop from the easyfundraising website or app. If you make a purchase, a commission is generated, and that is turned into a donation - simple!

For more information and to sign up please visit:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/loxwoodschool/pa/>



PALS Sales

These are going to run twice a term and will be selling:

- Preloved uniform
- Second-hand books
- Cakes or cookies

So whether you need to top up on school uniform or want to be ready for summer term and pick up a summer dress or shorts, please come and support the next sale which will be on 28th March.

Your School Lottery

Your School Lottery is our weekly lottery draw which not only raises vital money for the school but also gives our parents and carers a weekly chance to win a cash prize!

Taking part is extremely simple: it takes just 1 minute to sign up. Tickets cost £5 per month and you can pay by direct debit or card payment. The draw takes place each Saturday and there is a guaranteed school winner every single week. The prize amount depends on how many tickets are in the draw so the more entries the bigger the prize.

There is also a chance to win the £25,000 jackpot by matching the winning six-digit number.

For every £1 ticket bought, 40p goes to the school. This adds up to £1,000 per year for just 50 weekly tickets, just think what this money can buy for the children.

If you'd like to take part in our School Lottery, simply follow this link:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/loxwood-primary-school>

Dates for Your Diary

28th March: PALS Half Term Sale

3rd April: Easter Bunny Hop Silent Disco

28th April: PALS Meeting (details tbc)

Summer Term Proposed Events:

TBC: Colour Run

TBC: Ice Cream/Uniform/Books Half Term Sale