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Dear all,

Welcome back to school for those in year 1 and 2 and welcome to the school for our new starters in Reception. We hope everyone is settling nicely into the Autumn term. As the PTA committee we would like to introduce ourselves to you and make you aware of some of our events and all the fun things that you can be involved with.

The committee this year comprises:

Sally Simpson
Jen Walters
Kerrie Snook

Kasia Smalley
Emma Baxter
Toko Robbins

We are a small committee, but we are supported by a huge army of volunteers who help us out in many different guises to ensure we can provide fun community-based events, do some fundraising and most importantly help to enrich the lives of all of our children during their time at this fabulous school. We are also hugely supported by the teaching staff at the school and our main link for PTA events is Mrs Sharon Wilson.

We would like to use this opportunity to welcome you to the school, invite you to come and join us and to let you know early on of some diary dates (many more to follow) and some information that we hope you will find useful.

Get involved

We would love to have as many of you as possible to be involved with the events we put on. We know that time and resources are limited and therefore we always feel any time anyone can give is invaluable – this may be in the form of volunteering at an event, sorting uniform, or utilising other skills such as making poster graphics or counting money at the end of an event! Please do get in touch with us by emailing courthillpta@gmail.com to let us know you are interested. If you are happy to be on the PTA help what's app group, then please include your phone number in the e-mail. We will also be hosting our first meeting.....

Termly PTA meeting

Please do come along and see what the PTA have been up to. It's a chance to be involved, share new ideas, meet other parents and have a drink on a school night!

- **Monday 3rd October at The Grasshopper from 7.30pm**

As with all these events and initiatives, we simply can't do it without your help!

Second-hand school uniform

We have a very active team of uniform fairies who kindly sort and distribute preloved uniform for the sake of your purse and the planet! There is always a large variety of uniform in great condition, great for spares so we would strongly encourage you to consider utilising this resource.

- We will be holding **a second-hand uniform sale on Friday 23rd September at 3pm** in the cakey Friday shelter on the upper playground (if the weather is wet we will be in the cabin at the end of the bottom playground).
- Please come along and grab a bargain to ensure you have everything you need for your child.
- If you cannot wait until then then please email courthillptauniform@gmail.com with any requests and we will bag these up and give them to the class teacher to get to your child (

- Please mark the subject of your email 'second hand uniform request' and let us know your child's name and class
- Suggested donations of 25p-£1 in the honesty box (at the office) or via Scopay
- Please donate unwanted items to the school for re-sale.

In terms of labelling your uniform, we have a deal with both STIKINS and mynametags.com. They are personalised name labels that simply stick on to clothes, shoes, water bottles and lunchboxes.

For STIKINS - If you order through the link on the school website, or use our fundraising code 5117, the school receives 30% commission from each order. www.stikins.co.uk

For mynametags.com – Go to the website www.mynametags.com to design your stickers and place the order. When in the checkout please enter the code 34824 and we receive 24% commission from each order.

Lost Property

The uniform fairies also do an incredible job of sorting through the vast amounts of lost property each term. Already this year there is plenty (!!) so **if your child in year 1 or 2 has lost anything from this year or last then please go and check the boxes outside the school office as soon as possible**. We can only keep it there for a limited period of time and there are a number of items like coats and bottles that we would really like to reunite with their owners!

We are conscious that in this time of unprecedented change in the world we would like to support families and provide fun and affordable events that bring us together as a community. With this in mind we have adjusted our calendar of events slightly for this term and will send more information out in the coming weeks. As a heads up the provisional plan for events this term include:

- **Cakey Friday – 30th September**
- Book sale Friday
- Family beetle drive
- Disco night (Y1 & Y2)
- Movie night
- Quiz night

Please drop us an email at courthillpta@googlemail.com to be included on our whatsapp group and/or email list to help as little or as much as you can.

Thank you