

# Highfield PTFA Report 2024–25

The year began positively at our AGM, where we were delighted to fill all standard Executive Committee positions and welcome three new members, taking on the roles of Fundraising, Marketing, and Operations. This gave us fresh energy and ideas to carry forward.



## Events This Year

### Christmas Celebrations

The festive season was as busy as ever for the PTFA:

- **Christmas Fayre** – Always a highlight of the year. Although we faced the usual challenge of volunteer shortages, the community pulled together at the last minute, and the event was a success.
- **Santa's Visit** – Santa, supported by his three elves, brought joy across the school, with story time for Early Years and KS1, and classroom visits for KS2. Every child received an age-appropriate book funded by the PTFA—an annual tradition loved by the children (and judging by the playground scenes, Santa remains very popular!).
- **Elfridges** – Our new team successfully organised this “gift shop” event, giving every child the chance to buy a small present for a parent or loved one. With over 500 happy shoppers, the variety and quality of gifts were much appreciated.
- **Wreath-Making Workshop** – A first for us, and well-received by parents.
- **Christmas Lunch** – We once again funded decorations, table settings, crackers for each child, and of course the school Christmas tree. This year we invested in a large reusable tree, which will brighten the hall for many years to come.

### Pop-Up and Community Events

Throughout the year, we ran smaller activities to raise funds and increase engagement, including cake and hot chocolate sales, refreshments at school events, and an Easter colouring competition. The Sports Day café was again a big hit.

We also supported cultural and community events, such as:

- A wonderful **Diwali celebration** with live music and food.
- The much-loved **Early Years Mother's Day Tea** with gift shop.
- Two school **discos** and a lively **Quiz Night**.
- “**Raisin Money for Eid**” – a creative fundraising initiative where children earned coins at home to fill raisin boxes. Proceeds were shared between the PTFA and Farnham Food Bank, combining fundraising with community support.

### Summer Fayre

Our year culminated in the Summer Fayre. While we had to scale back plans due to volunteer shortages and saw a drop in footfall compared to previous years, the weather held and those who attended enjoyed a great afternoon.

## How Funds Have Been Used

Thanks to your support, we were able to make significant contributions this year:

- **Woodland Area** – We completed works that have been several years in the making. The area was officially opened in the Spring term and is now a vibrant learning space enjoyed by children across the school.
- **Sports Kits** – We funded new kits for school teams, which not only look smart but also give the children a real sense of pride.
- **Garden Club** – Funding was provided to help brighten the school grounds with flowers and plants, enhancing the environment for everyone.

## Looking Ahead

We are mindful of the increasing pressures on families' time and will be focusing on a smaller number of core events in 2025 to ensure they are well run, well attended, and enjoyable. Key events will remain, including:

- Summer Fayre (potentially with a refreshed format)
- Santa's visit and Christmas lunch decorations
- Mother's Day Tea
- Leavers' Disco

Looking further ahead, in consultation with the school and our new Headteacher, Mr Neighbour, we are excited to direct fundraising towards:

- **Library Renovation** – creating a more inviting and inspiring space for reading and learning.
- **Improved IT Facilities** – investing in technology to benefit all year groups.

## Closing Thoughts

The PTFA is a vital part of life at Highfield, enriching our children's school experience and strengthening our community. None of this would be possible without the support of parents, carers, staff, and volunteers. Thank you to everyone who has given their time, energy, or donations over the past year—you make a real difference.

# PTFA Financial Breakdown

2024/2025

Categories	Online Received	SumUp Received	Cash Received	Expense	Profit/Loss
<b>Christmas</b>	-	<b>1,010.23</b>	<b>3,097.50</b>	<b>2,359.78</b>	<b>1,747.95</b>
Shows	-	125.75	135.00	-	260.75
Raffle	-	-	845.00	133.37	711.63
Santas Stories	-	-	-	599.84	- 599.84
Christmas Fayre	-	884.48	1,361.50	867.50	1,378.48
Christmas Lunch	-	-	-	299.61	- 299.61
Elfridges	-	-	756.00	369.46	386.54
Christmas Tree	-	-	-	90.00	- 90.00
<b>Easy Fundraising</b>	<b>312.44</b>	-	-	-	<b>312.44</b>
<b>Leavers Hoodies</b>	-	<b>1,877.86</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>1,982.00</b>	- <b>94.14</b>
<b>PTFA Support</b>	-	-	-	<b>658.58</b>	- <b>658.58</b>
Refreshments	-	-	-	66.25	- 66.25
PTFA Supplies	-	-	-	430.33	- 430.33
Parent Kind	-	-	-	162.00	- 162.00
<b>Sales Event</b>	<b>981.63</b>	<b>4,695.56</b>	<b>4,780.77</b>	<b>6,012.60</b>	<b>4,445.36</b>
Cake Sale	-	65.31	144.00	-	209.31
Winter Disco	-	986.17	28.00	397.35	616.82
Hot Choc Sale	-	41.28	90.55	37.95	93.88
Wreath Workshop	-	204.72	-	131.16	73.56
Quiz	981.63	593.00	54.75	1,388.28	241.10
Mothers Day	-	59.46	175.00	93.40	141.06
EID	-	-	232.00	171.58	60.42
Easter Colouring	-	-	201.00	40.95	160.05
Diwali	-	227.99	124.00	240.00	111.99
Summer Fayre	-	1,370.02	3,672.97	2,964.99	2,078.00
Summer Disco	-	922.98	-	591.95	331.03
Sports Day	-	224.63	58.50	84.99	198.14
<b>School Support</b>	-	<b>88.50</b>	-	<b>8,535.56</b>	- <b>8,447.06</b>
Woodland	-	88.50	-	6,899.12	- 6,810.62
Sports Kit	-	-	-	1,416.80	- 1,416.80
Year 6 Hot Choc	-	-	-	29.50	- 29.50
Gardening Club	-	-	-	190.14	- 190.14
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,294.07</b>	<b>7,672.15</b>	<b>7,888.27</b>	<b>19,548.52</b>	- <b>2,694.03</b>