



PAPA – Portlethen Academy Parent Association

As a parent/carer of a Portlethen Academy pupil you are already a member of the above. However did you know that PAPA have contributed financially to school activities in many different ways and continue to do so?



Funding provided by PAPA in 2014

- £208 contribution for rugby strips
- £300 for 20 soprano ukuleles for use in the music department.
- £169 for new Lego models for Mrs Mackay's Lego clubs
- £300 to cover the cost of Mr Cowling's participation in the PASS programme
- £357 for school ties to be given to all first years.

Funding already provided by PAPA in 2015

- £120 to cover the transport of staff and pupils to attend a Business Breakfast promoting Modern Language skills.
- £153 for 6 mannequins to be used primarily in the Art & Design Dept.
- £275 for printing and framing photographs produced by the photography enrichment class. These will then be exhibited and sold to fund a sustainable project.
- £75 was provided towards funding a photographer of the year competition.

The above list indicates the range of things that PAPA have recently raised funds for in order to support the young people of Portlethen Academy. We raise the funds through running events such as the Christmas Craft Fair and providing refreshments at the Christmas Panto. PAPA meets once a month during term time for approximately two hours on a Thursday evening to plan such events and to be updated on school activities by the Head Teacher.

PAPA meetings also provide an opportunity for dialogue between the Head Teacher and parents about issues which affect the school such as the Reporting procedures, Behaviour policy, changes in staffing and upcoming events. All the parents who have attended meetings have found it a useful way of finding out more about what is happening in our children's school. Some parents have even made a significant contribution to school working groups.

Please Join Us

You are welcome to join us at our next meeting on **Thursday 26th February at 7pm** in the Staff Room, or any of our other meetings - dates of which will be posted on the school website. Alternatively contact the school office for details. 01224 782174