

# WELCOME



## The Limpsfield School Association

### What do we do?

There are three main objectives to the LSA...

#### Events - Children

Firstly, we work to stage a range **of events and activities** for our children to enjoy across the school year.

For example children's discos, cake sales, a Christmas Fair and much more.

#### Events - Parents

Secondly, we stage what we hope are some **fun activities** for the **parents**.

These include a quiz, a ball, and a themed parents' **talent** (or non-talent!) show!

#### Projects

Thirdly, through these events we raise **significant sums of money** for various projects.

Our fund raising efforts also include ventures from second hand uniform sales to the annual **Summer Fete**.



## What is the LSA?

**The Limpsfield School Association** is the community of parents and carers that voluntarily organise a series of events and ventures that help the school with much needed funds, as well as providing fun for the parents and children!

**How do I join?** There is a central committee that oversees the LSA but all parents automatically become part of the LSA when their children join the school.

The LSA runs some **really important schemes** such as **Second Hand Uniform** sales and the **Walking Bus**, which ensures your children walk into school safely without you having to park and leave your car. The walking bus helps ease the **limited parking facilities**, whilst teaching your children independence.

## How can you help?

Offering your help can be anything from baking a cake, to making costumes, manning a bar, to helping at a children's disco! As this is a new school year we will sadly have to say farewell to many committed and helpful parents, so we will be hoping for some **fresh faces** and some **new ideas**.

As you will automatically join the LSA, come September, we do hope you can spare some time to become an **active** member. It gives you the opportunity to **meet more parents and carers** throughout the school and have **some fun together**.

We will invite everybody to our **LSA AGM** once a date is set. **Please do come along!**

## Keeping you informed

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**Newsletters**, like this one, are sent via email on a **regular basis** updating everyone about events, pleas for help, and promoting various activities.

## Easyfundraising and Amazon Smile

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One of the simplest ways to raise money for the school with **no cost** to you is via **Easyfundraising** or **Amazon Smile**.

**Easyfundraising** donates a portion of your spend to the school from many popular online sites like **John Lewis** and **Waitrose**.

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign up and start raising funds today!

To **get reminded** whilst you are shopping **online**, install the [Donation Reminder](#) for your web browser.

**Amazon Smile** works in a similar way by donating a portion of your spend to the school.

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign up.

## Stikins Labels

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If you need to buy any uniform or clothing labels, then please consider **Stikins**.

Click [here](#) to order labels and automatically add Limpsfield school as the fundraising partner.

## New starter Buddies

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To help with starting school in such strange circumstances, we are running a buddy scheme so that new parents can be paired up with returning parents.

If you would like to volunteer as a buddy or would like a buddy, please email [Caroline Sudre](#).

## How are the funds spent?

The money raised goes on **various ongoing projects** and items that the school requires.

For example, funding **school trips** and purchasing a **new class set of iPads with charging trolleys**, so that every class has the opportunity to access this great learning facility. A major project has been to fund a new **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) room** to be built in the school.

To give you an idea of how much difference the LSA can make to help support our school, in a normal year we would raise over **£20,000**.

## Class Representatives

For those new to the school each class needs at least **two volunteers** to act as class rep for the year.

The class rep's role is to be a liaison between the class teacher and the parents. They will be the point of contact for the teacher to request volunteers and to share out any necessary information. It works well if there are 2 - 3 reps per class.

It is a rewarding role, and is a brilliant way to begin to **get actively involved** and to meet other school parents.

If you are interested in taking on the role, or would like to have a chat about it, please [email the LSA](#).

## Classlist

The LSA use Classlist to manage various school events, socials for parents and children alike. It's a free, safe and secure online community app for schools.

If you'd like to join, please click [this link](#). Initially we'll place you into a new starters group but we'll organise you into Reception classes when September comes.

If you have any questions about Classlist, please email [Caroline Sudre](#), Classlist Ambassador and Co-Treasurer and she'll get back to you as quickly as possible.

## Class WhatsApp groups

More importantly than ever, we would like to bring together the new classes in **WhatsApp** groups.

These groups will be used by your class reps to share information from the school and the LSA.

They are also a great places to ask some questions.

To set this up, we need your contact details. Please fill out [this survey](#) or email the LSA with your mobile number.