



Spring Term Newsletter



WHAT IS THE HSA?

Alton Infants Home School Association (HSA) is a charitable organisation set up to raise funds in support of the school. We plan and deliver events throughout the year to help raise funds to pay for items, experiences and activities which enhance the children's learning.

Being an HSA means that every parent automatically becomes a member when their child joins the school. You are welcome to get involved in any capacity and attend HSA meetings. The trustees and committee are there to help make things happen, but we are always open to new ideas and cannot operate without volunteers to help out in the lead up to events and at the event itself. Please contact us at altonhsa@gmail.com if you can help in any way.

YOUR HSA COMMITTEE



Gemma Urquhart - Co Chair

Gemma has two daughters at the school; Evie in year 1 and Luna in year R. Gemma also has a younger daughter, Ottilie, who is one year old.



Hannah Nicholson - Co Chair

Hannah's daughter, Lara is in year 1. Hannah also has a two year old daughter, Margot.



Gemma Kingswell - Treasurer

Gemma's son, Harvey is in year 1



Kat Guenioui - Secretary

Kat's older daughter, Evelyn is in year 3 at the Junior School and her youngest daughter, Lena is in year 1. Kat helps out as year 2 librarian

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter!

With Christmas and all its' festivities feeling like a distant memory, Spring term 1 is over and we are looking forward to longer days and warmer (hopefully) weather!

We would once again like to thank you for your support in all of our fundraising endeavors last term, especially the Christmas Fayre. The children had a great time and the event went a long way to contributing towards our Autumn term total of £909!

Spring term is typically a quiet one, but we do have our 'Wonderful Women' sale coming up (in time for Mothers Day) as well as our sponsored litter pick.

We would also love to introduce some new fundraisers. If you have any ideas, please do get in touch.

May Fayre & Raffle

Although it's a few months away, we are starting to think ahead to our May Fayre, and in particular the Raffle! This is always a popular event and one of our biggest fundraisers.

Of course, a successful raffle needs lots of fantastic prizes and we would like to ask if any parents own, work for, or are just great friends with a business that may be generous enough to donate a prize to please contact us - you can leave a message with the ladies in the school office, or email us at altonhsa@gmail.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

'Wonderful Women' Sale - Friday 8th March
(letters to be sent out soon)

Sponsored Litter Pick - forms to be sent out
Monday 11th March

Mufti Day - TBC (this will be near to the May Fayre)

May Fayre - Friday 17th May





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Does your company Match Fund?

Did you know that many companies in the UK offer employees the chance to boost their fundraising efforts by 'matching' the money they raise for charity?

Some companies known to offer matched funding include:



We know that many banks, building societies, supermarkets and large corporations offer matched funding. However you may work for a smaller company that also offers it.

If you work for a company that has a matched funding policy, any money you raise could be matched by your employer. Sometimes they match the total fundraising for an event, or just for the stall that the employee volunteers on. Either way, matched funding can make a huge difference!

If your company offers match funding and you would like to help boost our fundraising efforts, please get in touch at altonhsa@gmail.com.

DID YOU KNOW...

The teas and coffees (and sometimes biscuits) served at parent events, such as the recent parenting workshop, are provided by the HSA, and manned by our lovely volunteers. Whilst we don't like to charge for these refreshments, we would very much appreciate you scanning the QR code and making a donation where possible.

WE NEED YOU!

We can't put on our amazing events without your help!

If you are interested in becoming part of our friendly group of volunteers, please email altonhsa@gmail.com

or complete the form below

forms.gle/BKoyqYsRJT3naaU47

Any time you can give is hugely appreciated!

Earn us cash whilst you shop!

Did you know you can help raise funds for us just by shopping!

The HSA can receive cash back on purchases you make using the following websites:



Easy fundraising is a cashback site, where your chosen charity receives a donation when you shop online. It has an easy to use app and you can set reminders which pop up when you visit eligible online shops.

It costs you nothing to use and these donations really mount up to make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us.

You can find our easyfundraising page at www.easyfundraising.org.uk/cause/s/aishsa



There seems to always be a never ending need to label clothes and belongings that get taken into school! When you use Stikins to purchase your name labels we receive 30% cashback. These labels are really great and can be used on virtually everything, from uniform to lunchboxes!

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