

## **Home School Association**

(Charity No 507259)



Living, Growing, Learning

# **Newsletter Spring 2024**

## **Money Raised**

We raised **£541** in December from the Christmas Fayre! Thank you to all who donated and came to support us.

## **Evening with Emily**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Please join us for an evening of songs by Pens Meadows very own Emily.

This is a family event, and all are welcome.

Doors open at 7pm at Amblecote British

Legion, School Drive, DY8 4DQ.

£3 per person or a family ticket for max 5

people £10.

Please complete the booking form overleaf and return to school.



## **Snowdon Sponsored Walk**

We would love as many people to get involved with raising money for the HSA. We welcome as many people as possible to join us at **Snowdon** on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.** You can join the team walking or just coming along for the day to have a ride on the train and cheer us on.

For more details, please email us.

info@pens-meadow.dudley.sch.uk



### **Help Needed**

Do you know someone or are you qualified to be able to audit the HSA Bank account. We are looking to appoint a new person to do an annual audit of our accounts and ensure we are running smoothly.

If you are able to recommend someone then please get in touch and email: info@pens-meadow.dudley.sch.uk



### Thank you

Thank you to those who donated to Pens
Meadow HSA in 2023. Including:
The Family of Archie Cartwright
Morgan Global
A HUGE Thank you to REV COMPS who
kindly donated £1,000!



## **Remembering Alfie Johnson**

Everyone at Pens Meadow HSA sends their love to Alfie Johnson's family at this sad time. We are proud to be supporting the Remembering Alfie Johnson event in school on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. We all miss Alfie very much and thank the Johnson family for all their support they have given to the HSA and pupils at Pens Meadow School.

## New parents and carers

The Home School Association feel passionately about supporting our Pens Meadow community by raising funds through events that will go towards enrichment opportunities for our young people and their families, but we need your help. We are always looking to expand our HSA support for Pens Meadow School and to meet new parents and carers.

Please join us for breakfast at The Brewer's Fayre, Stourbridge on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April at: 9.30am

If we do not get more support or volunteers the HSA may be at risk of closing.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### 1. What is the HSA?

Pens Meadow Home and school Association is a Charity which was founded in 1978. Its values are based on giving children who attend Pens Meadow School additional opportunities and experiences which LA funding would not cover. This includes covering costs towards trips and outings, funding additional play equipment, ensuring everyone has a gift at Easter and Christmas, and providing end of term celebration activities plus much more. We aim to help with the enrichment of the lives of all pupils here at Pens Meadow School.

### 2. Who can become a HSA committee member?

Anyone! You may want to become involved as a parent/carer, or you may have someone in your wider family who would love to spend some time supporting us with things; such as sharing ideas and opportunities, volunteering for fund raising events, helping to complete funding applications, or creating leaflets and flyers. You may just want to come along for a cuppa and find out what we do. If you would like to join or would like more information, then please just contact <a href="mailto:info@pens-meadow.dudley.sch.uk">info@pens-meadow.dudley.sch.uk</a>

### 3. How many times does the HSA meet?

We meet around 5 times a year – although this can vary.

#### 4. I can't commit to all the meetings. Can I still be part of the team?

Absolutely. We understand that many of the parents/carers and committee have additional roles and responsibilities, and it is very difficult to commit to everything. We will try and make meetings as accessible as possible and can even do them virtually if that helps you to be able to attend.

<b>Evening with Emily Booking Form</b> – Once you have made payment then please return this slip to school for us to allocate your tickets. Thank you.	
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Please make payment via BACS to Pens Meadow Home and School Association, Lloyds Business Account, Sort Code 30-14-51, Account no. 00837476. With the reference of an Evening with Emily – followed by the name which you have completed the booking form with.	
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