

# Sutton Grammar School PTA

## Autumn 2022 Newsletter No.1



Wednesday, 14 September 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians

A warm welcome from all of us at the PTA, and especially to those new to the School this term.

**SGS Open Evening – Wednesday, 21 September.** The PTA is taking part in next week's Open Evening. We have a dedicated room where prospective parents and their children will have the opportunity to learn more about the PTA and its activities, including the Mock Tests, and hear about the SGS experience from current parents' point of view. We still need a few more people to help us cover the room for the full period of the Open Evening, and especially from 5.30 to 7.00pm and 7.00 to 8.30pm. If you are able to help, please complete the Doodle Poll at: <https://doodle.com/meeting/participate/id/aOyLVzBd>

**Quiz Night – Saturday 15 October.** PTA quiz nights offer a great opportunity to meet and get to know other parents, as well as a lot of fun. They also help raise a tidy sum. This term's Quiz Night will be taking place at the School on 15 October, starting at 6.00PM. Further details, including how to book your place, will follow next week. In the meantime, why not start recruiting your team and register your interest with [quiz.night@sgspta.com](mailto:quiz.night@sgspta.com)?

**Other dates for your diary.** This term is jam-packed with events supported by the PTA, both those that we run ourselves and School events where we assist. Please take note of the events and dates listed overleaf.

**Calling all volunteers.** The PTA can't raise money, or do anything very much at all, without the commitment of parents like you who agree to serve refreshments, assist with second-hand uniform sales, help with Mock Tests car parking, etc. If you think you can find the time to help at any of the events listed overleaf, then please let us know now by contacting one or more of the following:

- [refreshments.team@sgspta.com](mailto:refreshments.team@sgspta.com)
- [uniform.sales@sgspta.com](mailto:uniform.sales@sgspta.com)
- [car.parking@sgspta.com](mailto:car.parking@sgspta.com)

**Amazon Smile.** An easy way for parents, grandparents, students and others to help raise money for the School is to sign up to [Amazon Smile](#) and name Sutton Grammar School Parent Teacher Association as your nominated charity. Every time you then make a purchase via the Amazon Smile website or App, the PTA will receive a donation at zero cost to you. A similar arrangement is also available for a wide range of online retailers *via* [easyfundraising](#).

**PTA AGM and general meeting – Wednesday 28 September.** PTA meetings typically take place twice a term and are the key forum for considering funding applications from the School. As well allowing us to fulfil our formal obligations as a registered charity, the meetings also offer parents a chance to hear from the Headmaster (who is *ex officio* President of the PTA) on current developments and future plans for the School.

Further details about the first PTA meeting of this term, which also includes our formal Annual General Meeting, can be found overleaf. If you are interested in attending on 28 September and/or would like to put yourself forward to join the PTA committee, then please contact [chair@sgspta.com](mailto:chair@sgspta.com).

Many thanks, SGS PTA

Email: [info@sgspta.com](mailto:info@sgspta.com)

Facebook: <https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=107731799250266>

Web: <https://www.suttongrammar.sutton.sch.uk/pta/welcome-to-the-pta>

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## Dates for your Diary

### Autumn Term 2022



| Event                       | Owner  | PTA volunteers needed?   | Date                           |
|-----------------------------|--------|--|--------------------------------|
| SGS Open Evening            | School | Yes – please complete Doodle poll (link above)                                       | Wed. 21 September, 4.45-8.30pm |
| PTA AGM & General Meeting 1 | PTA    | No   | Wed. 28 September, 7.30pm      |
| Meet the tutor Year 8       | School | Yes – <a href="mailto:refreshments.team@sgspta.com">refreshments.team@sgspta.com</a> | Tues. 11 October, evening      |
| Meet the tutor Year 7       | School | Yes – <a href="mailto:refreshments.team@sgspta.com">refreshments.team@sgspta.com</a> | Thu. 13 October, evening       |
| Autumn Quiz                 | PTA    | No   | Sat. 15 October, 6.00pm        |
| Second-hand uniform sale    | PTA    | Yes – <a href="mailto:uniform.sales@sgspta.com">uniform.sales@sgspta.com</a>         | Friday 21 October, 3.00-4.00pm |
| Meet the tutor Year 12      | School | Yes – <a href="mailto:refreshments.team@sgspta.com">refreshments.team@sgspta.com</a> | Thurs. 10 November, evening    |
| PTA General Meeting 2       | PTA    | No   | Mon. 14 November, 7.30pm       |
| Meet the tutor Year 11      | PTA    | Yes – <a href="mailto:refreshments.team@sgspta.com">refreshments.team@sgspta.com</a> | Thurs. 17 November, evening    |
| Christmas Raffle            | PTA    | No   | November/ December             |
| Christmas Concert           | School | Yes – <a href="mailto:refreshments.team@sgspta.com">refreshments.team@sgspta.com</a> | Thu. 1 December, evening       |
| Second-hand uniform sale    | PTA    | Yes – <a href="mailto:uniform.sales@sgspta.com">uniform.sales@sgspta.com</a>         | Thu. 15 December, 3.00-4.00pm  |

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## Notice of AGM and General Meeting

### Wednesday 28 September 2022 @ 7.30PM



The Annual General Meeting of the Sutton Grammar School Parent Teachers Association will take place on the above date and time at Sutton Grammar School, Manor Lane, Sutton SM1 4AS. This will be followed by a General Meeting and then refreshments at the end.

As well allowing us to fulfil our formal obligations as a registered charity, the meetings are the main forum for discussing and arranging the PTA's fund-raising activities and grants to the School. They also offer parents a chance to hear from the Headmaster (who is *ex officio* President of the PTA) on current developments and future plans for the School.

Three funding applications have been submitted by the School and will be considered for approval as part of the General Meeting on 28 September. The bids are as follows:

- IT systems upgrading: £150,000
- SGS External Relations Coordinator: £21,946
- School banners: £1,344

Any parent of a current SGS student is entitled to attend the AGM and General Meeting. To help us plan, however, we would be grateful if you could advise us of your intention to attend by emailing [chair@sgspta.com](mailto:chair@sgspta.com).

With several of our existing PTA trustees stepping down, we would welcome nominations (including self-nominations) for the following positions during the academic year 2022/23, which will be subject to election at the AGM:

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Treasurer
- Joint Secretary
- Additional trustees x 3

Nominations are welcome by emailing [chair@sgspta.com](mailto:chair@sgspta.com).

Further details, including an agenda and meeting papers, will be circulated ahead of the meetings to all who have made the current PTA Chair aware that they plan to attend (as above).