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Dear Parents, Carers, Teachers and Friends.

Committee membership of the PTFA is critically low. Very few people have joined in the past few years, and this year alone we will lose nearly half of our strength. The committee desperately needs more parents from all year groups to step forward and take an active role in co-ordinating and running our activities. Unfortunately, we have had **no response at all** to our previous parentmail asking for new volunteer committee members.

Unless we can increase the committee strength considerably and sustainably, we will have to curtail our fundraising activities or potentially fold. **This will have a huge impact on our school.**

The PTA raises £10-15k annually to support the school. We fund items such as IT equipment, art facilities, library and playground development, which the Council will not provide. The money we raise allows the school to fund both short-term and longer term initiatives that give your children and their teachers the best advantage, instead of just 'making do' as other schools must.

These are the current committee roles and we would like applications from people for any of them:

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Retail Projects Co-ordinator
- Disco Co-ordinator
- Fayre Co-ordinator
- Communications Officer

Becoming a committee member doesn't require any special skills; it's all learned 'on the job'. Being a committee member does require a 'can do' attitude, but with a strong committee, no role is too onerous. We have regular meetings to discuss our events and co-ordinate activities. Good organisation and teamwork prior to and during events helps share the load. Many of the roles are also suitable for job-sharing if you would like to team up with another parent to share the task.

We would love to have volunteers for all of these roles in advance of our **AGM on Thursday 1st November**, so that new members can be voted in and get to work straight away. If you are unable to volunteer for the committee, please do come along and support the AGM, as legally we are required to have a minimum number of parents in attendance.

Please consider becoming a member of the PTA committee and do your bit to support us and the school. Please contact us to let us know which role you are interested in by email to ptfa@malcolmsargent.sch.lincs.uk.

Many thanks
PTFA Committee