

We're in a time of flux between the 'old normal' and the 'new normal', and the *PTFA Paragraph!* is Hope Valley College Parents Teachers and Friends Association (HVC PTFA) saying "hello" to parents, grandparents, carers, teachers, and other friends in lieu of the usual face to face opportunities, and also a reminder of things that used to be, are still and are yet to be . . . (in terms of fund raising and spending)

Activity (highlights)

HVC is unusual amongst Secondary Schools in having such an active PTFA, securing significant funds, and in recent years has bought many books and delivered the following big items:

2018 Library+blinds £36,850

2018 Catering Freezer £2,500

2018 3D printer for Tech £1300

2019 English Corridor Mural £2090

2021 Geography 1&2 renovation £9780

2021 Benches (Picnic & Metal) £4000

2021 Goalposts £1000

2021 Contrib. outdoor education £5000

2022 Climbing wall (ropes etc) £1600

Photographs of refurbishments are coming soon to www.hopevalley-chorustrust.org/ptfa.

New fund-raising

2021 and 2022 Calendars showcasing HVC pupils' artwork (seen in header & footer) and advertising local businesses raised £800.

Climbing Zoom talk + Round the world in 80 days sponsored 'walk' in 2021 raised £2,300.

If you set your **smile. Amazon** account to benefit HVC PTFA (see how <u>here</u>), this contributes ~£200/yr.

Easy-fundraising raises ~£300 /yr.

Recent Changes

PTFA f'book page now being incorporated into HVC website <u>here</u>. The terms of office of three longstanding members of the PTFA (the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) have come to an end. We thank them for their service.

The last couple of years have meant enforced inactivity and though starting again feels a little tentative at present we have new committee who are keen to make events work and find new connections to the college community.

Main fundraising

HVAFF – Hope Valley Adventure Film Festival raised £3,691 (2018), £5,228 (2019), and £4,450 (2020) (COVID cancelled 2021). Funds raised through tickets and refreshments. More details here. **Car boot sales** – Alternate Sundays April – October 6am - 1pm. Raised £6,940 (2018), £7,940 (2019). Funds raised through tickets and refreshments. More details here.

WaterAid – Severn Trent's own fund-raising annual event pays HVC PTFA to provide catering, car parking and toilets one day in June raising £1,250 (2018), £1,385 (2019) (cancelled 2020 & 2021)

To reprise these events, we earnestly need to build a team of volunteers (kitchen and stewards) to provide cover across the dates. Please email (NOW!) ptfahv@hopevalley.chorustrust.org with your availability and realistic idea of commitment so at the end of January we know whether we have manpower for car boot sales. (Looking for 10-20 people on rotation through the year). Obviously, no fund-raising events means no spending opportunities.

Contact ptfahv@hopevalley.chorustrust.org for more information.

Could we do *Battle of the Bands* or *Hope's got Talent* as a big event during Hope Wakes Week? What do you think? Any other ideas out there? How about a Pantomime Horse Race (using your own creations) will it last the course? How many families or groups of friends would be up for that?

