



## **Building community and Raising Funds to support our Children's Education**

Hello everyone, hope you all are doing fine, and have settled in well in the new academic year.

We have just started our year for fundraising to support our school's budget. As you know the PTA raises money through many events like Christmas market, Summer fair, Raffle and many other events which are organised and supported by hard working volunteers.

The PTA this year wants to ensure we stay on track for the current school year as we are following up from a tiny surplus in the bank. We are always looking for new fundraising ideas which are simpler and do not cost us our time and effort and we can also raise funds for our school at the same time.

### **ELMBRIDGE COMMUNITY LOTTERY**

The PTA had signed up to Elmbridge Community Lottery organised by Elmbridge Council. It is an exciting weekly lottery that raises money for good causes in Elmbridge. This is a £1 weekly lottery with top prize of £25,000. The PTA receive 50p for every £1 spent on tickets.

Link to sign up for tickets is [www.elmbridgelottery.co.uk](http://www.elmbridgelottery.co.uk) and search for 'St Charles'.

Last year we raised a total of £1282. Thanks to those who have already signed up the tickets, and it will great if we have more supporters signing up.

### **EASY FUNDRAISING**

Easy fundraising is the UK's biggest Charity fundraising platform. You can turn your everyday shopping online into a free donation to your school. Once you've made your purchase, the retailer will then make a small donation to your school to say 'thank you' for shopping with them. There are over 7,500 brands to choose from

including everyday favourites : Amazon, Waitrose, John Lewis & Partners, M&S, Joules, Boots so you'll be spoilt for choice!

All you need to do is -

- Register
- Visit the website or app before buying online – includes shopping, hiring flights, car hire.
- (<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stcharlespta/>)

It does not cost you anything extra and does not affect the price you pay for your online shopping. The cost is covered by the brand. The retailers donate a percentage of what you can spend online to St. Charles PTA when you visit with [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) before carrying on your normal purchase. Over the years we have raised a total over £5,000 for the PTA by simply shopping online.

If you have any questions, please contact your Class reps, or contact us on [pta@stcharlesb.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:pta@stcharlesb.surrey.sch.uk) or WhatsApp Val – 07400007241 or Andrew - 07880343628

We look forward to meeting you at the PTA AGM on Thursday, 12 October, 2023 at 7:30pm in the School hall.

Thank you,

Andrew & Val Mintiers

**St Charles Borromeo PTA**  
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