

SAXON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION - SSA

Dear new families

Welcome to Saxon Primary School and the SSA!

As a parent/carer, you are automatically a member of the SSA, the Saxon School Association which is our version of the PTA (Parent Teacher Association). The SSA is an inclusive voluntary organisation with the main aim of raising money for resources and activities for Saxon children. These have an educational or play theme, such as the fantastic double decker library bus and trim trail that your child(ren) will benefit from throughout their time at Saxon. Our 2021-2022 projects included an exciting outdoor stage, music area and sensory garden. However, we can only do this with **your support**.

We invite everyone who is part of your child/children's lives to engage with the SSA, including extended family such as grandparents.

The SSA is modern and innovative, comprising the following voluntary committee roles: Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary. Some of these roles are currently vacant and we will soon be asking for nominations.

There are many ways you can make a difference. Your input is invaluable, and we understand everyone has different work and home life commitments and preferred ways to get involved.

You could...

- Take on a voluntary committee role (Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary)
- Attend SSA meetings held once or twice a term at school
- Suggest original and effective fundraising ideas
- Join/lead a small team for a specific event such as Hotdog Club
- Provide relevant contacts, resources, services or discounts through your own networks
- Help at events, from small scale uniform sales to large scale fireworks night
- Design and/or print posters or flyers
- Donate prizes (small or big), possibly through commercial contacts or matched fundraising
- Help with admin for raffles, disco tickets etc.
- Most importantly, take an interest in SSA activities and work as one big team to make a real difference





Out-door library Funding by the SSA Summer

We'd love you to become an active SSA member

Hopefully you are already thinking about how you could become involved in SSA projects, 'giving' time rather than 'giving up' time. We aim to make volunteering rewarding, fulfilling and enjoyable for all.

"I joined the pre-loved uniform event team as it's a great way to be more sustainable and support Saxon families. Uniform sales are held straight after school which is an ideal time for me to give an hour to the SSA." Mrs Moreton, year 6 and year 4 parent

The SSA is a key part of school community life. By taking an active role, you will be able to help shape how extra money is raised and spent to enhance the children's experience at Saxon.

"Helping with the Happy Bags clothes collection at school drop off once a term suits my shift patterns and it's a simple initiative that enables families to have a clear out whilst raising funds!" Mrs Swartfigure, year 6 and year 4 parent

Details of SSA events are on school noticeboards and in the newsletter but you can also join the WhatsApp group and email list (please fill in the slip below). If you have any questions, please email us at ssa.saxon@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk.

We look forward to meeting you!

Parents' assistance in school life is so valuable!

Chair – Mrs Natalie Hopper (Y3 & Y4 parent); Vice Chair – Vacancy Joint Secretaries – Mrs Morton (Y6 parent) & Mrs Jerwood (Y6 parent) Gemma Carman (Treasurer – Y1, Y3 & Y4 parent)

FAO - SSA

We are a separate entity from the school so we have to gather our data separately. We only use it for SSA related matters and it is kept securely. Please hand in or put in the SSA letterbox in School Office.

Your Name___

Child's Name_____Class_____

Please include me in the SSA WhatsApp group. By giving my mobile number, I allow you to use this:

Please include me in the SSA Email group. By giving my email address, I allow you to use this: _____

CLASS/YEAR REPS: Each class/year group has a small group (2-4) of parents who kindly set up a WhatsApp group and use it to pass on SSA / school information. If you would be interested in being part of this group, we will pass your details on to them.

I'd like to be included on the Class/Year WhatsApp group and here is my mobile number which I give permission to be used in the group _____

I'm happy to be a Class/Year Rep YES NO *(delete as appropriate)*