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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The number one priority for us as parents and guardians is the well-being of our children. We believe that children do better when parents are connected to the school.

As we are emerging from the COVID pandemic and with a new school building for Kineton High School, it feels like a good time to reinvigorate the extension of school life to provide the space for parents to be more connected to the school. The school has never been so popular for prospective students and we would like to harness that interest to create a vibrant PTSA. This is an opportunity for parents and students to engage with the school community in a non-academic capacity, to support the school and to provide parents the chance to connect with each other.

### **What is the Kineton High School Parent, Teacher and Student Association?**

The Kineton High School Parent Teacher & Student Association (PTSA) comprises parents, guardians and teachers who have children at Kineton. We are an extension of the school community working in partnership with the staff and student body through the student council to enhance the student experience. The activities and fundraising are designed to bring the Kineton High School together as a community with any funds raised used to enhance the educational experience or projects that would not be possible through school resources.

### **How can I help or get involved?**

New for 2022, as a parent or guardian at KHS you are all part of the Parent, Teacher and Student Association. (PTSA). We would like to invite you all to be an active member of this group via this form <https://forms.gle/fquCp4pKW9kps4ai6>. There are a few different ways to support:

- **Elected roles:** We will need to elect a Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary – we would welcome volunteers for these roles. They will be elected at September's AGM (date tbc)
- **Committee:** we understand that some people would like to be more involved with shaping and decision making, and others enjoy showing up in person to be a pair of hands at an event. Both of these approaches are very much welcome!
- **Supporting business:** if you work for a business that may be able to support the PTSA we would be very grateful. This could be in terms of goods or services. Throughout the year we will likely be asking for support with raffle prizes, or event support so we would love to hear from you.

We encourage your support with ideas, opinions and experience you may have from other organisations and groups.

For the forthcoming school year, as it will be our first as a PTSA, we will be focusing on the set up and easy opportunities to engage with the school.

We imagine our priorities will look like the following:

- A PTSA Annual General Meeting (AGM) in September – this is where we will set out and agree the constitution, roles and aims for the year
- 1-2 social events – possibly a Y7/Y8 disco and a family quiz
- Provide refreshments/raffle at selected existing school events

We need parents and guardians to step forward and offer their practical help, thoughts and opinions as we get organised and up and running. This does not need to be a huge commitment, and we are grateful for your involvement.

**Please let us know if you are interested in supporting: <https://forms.gle/fquCp4pKW9kps4ai6>**

You can also email us at [kinetonhighschoolPTSA@gmail.com](mailto:kinetonhighschoolPTSA@gmail.com)

Kind regards,

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On behalf of Kineton High School, Parent, Teacher and Student Association (KHS PTSA)