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PTA Playground Update - November 2022

WORK STARTS TODAY!!!!!!

Winter is definitely upon us as we wrap up in coats and gloves against the harsh mornings, but the kids - when possible - still get the chance to wrap up and enjoy the fresh air and the playgrounds.

It's been a year now since we took over from the last PTA group, and as you know we've taken on the project of re-developing the playgrounds, with the guidance from the school. We have raised a fantastic amount of money over the last year (£13k in profit), beginning in earnest with another great Fireworks Night.

Now the work will start on phase 1 of the playgrounds. With the money raised, we'd like to share our plans.



Above is a schematic of the main playground.

- We'll be taking out the rotting stage to the right along with the maze and benches, and a fitness trail will be marked out.
- New markings for the netball area will define this space better.
- All new markings in the side football pen area.
- Re-marking the red line, 10 laps equating to 1 mile.
- We will add a new stage along with a blackboard backing (to design play sets etc) to the side of the music room. We will cover this area with a pergola to protect the stage and blackboard from the elements, therefore increasing it's usage.
- Across the playground to the left we will replace the old pergola with a new one, giving it a polycarbonate roof so it can be a dry outdoor classroom or chill out space, purchasing new tables to go in there too.
- We're also removing the uneven ground in the Story Area, regulating the level and relaying new artificial grass.



Example of a Timber Framed Polycarbonate Roof Pergola



Example of Sproston Eight-Seat Pionic Tables



Example of Safadeck Deck. Stage with a Magnet Compatible Chalkboard



Example of Thermoplastic Super Fitness Trail Markings

This work comes to approximately £15k.

If you want more information on what you can do to support our playground redevelopment, or individual prices for items that could be incorporated into the playground, please contact the PTA on their email address, or catch any of us in the playground.

There are a couple of easy fundraising ideas that we would like to draw to your attention to, some of which you may already be familiar with:

- Easyfundraising- Once you've signed up to support us on easyfundraising you can raise free donations for us every time you shop online. Simply search for the retailer and visit them via easyfundraising. The retailer will pay a donation to Alderley Edge Community Primary School PTA on your behalf when you checkout (your shop will cost exactly the same!)
- Amazon Smile Register Alderley Edge Community Primary on your existing Amazon account for every
 purchase you make and Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% to the school PTA fund as a charitable
 donation (at no additional cost to you). You can add via your existing app by selecting Amazon smile,
 entering the school's details and following the instructions- it takes less than 60 seconds!
- National Schools Lottery previously a great success and the more people that enter the more prize money available, with weekly draws and for £1 per ticket. You can pay by direct debit (and can cancel at anytime), purchase tickets on a monthly basis or buy tickets on a rolling 1, 3, 6 or 12 month basis. There is also a £25,000 national jackpot available you need to be in it to win it! You can sign up here: https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/alderley-edge-community-primary-school

If you haven't already, please join our school social media channels for further update and reminders:

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Thanks in advance for your support,

The PTA Committee