

Greenway Primary & Nursery School



GSA

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What Exactly is the GSA?

- A **charitable organisation**
- Parents & guardians working together with the teachers of Greenway to **FUNdraise**
- Our aim is to **enhance the environment and facilities** within the school.



What the GSA is Not:

- The Parent Forum** – this is a separate group who gathers feedback from parents to help the head and governing body make improvements
- Pushy** – you won't feel forced into volunteering
- Cliquey or unfriendly** – we have children in different classes & always welcome new faces
- Bored parents** – many of us work full and part time
- Exclusively female** – we have Dads involved too
- Overly formal or uptight** – we try to keep things simple and informal, after all life is demanding enough without us adding to it!



Why Get Involved?

- Make a difference** - help enrich your child's time at Greenway school
- A great way to **make friends** and meet parents from other classes and years
- Have your say on **how funds are spent**
- Enjoy a **glass of wine!**



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What Does the GSA Do?

- We organise FUNdraising events & initiatives including;
 - Cake sales
 - Quiz nights
 - Film nights
 - Summer & Christmas fairs
 - Camping
 - Supermarket vouchers
 - Easyfundraising donations
- We meet regularly to discuss upcoming events, ideas, requests from Mrs Ellwood and spending priorities.



What Has the GSA Paid For?

- Adventure trail
- Double glazed windows and blinds
- iPads for each class
- New staging for the school hall
- We also sponsor the Dacorum Card Scheme for parents on low income.



How Can I Get Involved?

- Find out more by joining us at our next meeting
- Support events by volunteering to lend a hand.

JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT MEETING.

Email GSA@Greenway.herts.sch.uk for more details!

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De-mything the GSA

• **JAZZY JARS** – twice a year we call on parents to create Jazzy Jars with their children, to donate to both summer fair and Christmas fair stalls. But **what is a jazzy jar** you ask? It's simply an old jar decorated by your kids and filled with any kind of wrapped sweets. To mark the occasion there is a dress down day at school.



• **CAKE SALES** – once a year each class is asked to hold a cake sale to raise money for the GSA. Children from that class are asked to **bring in cakes to sell to the rest of the school**. *Don't feel pressured to bake, shop bought cakes are fine too.* The sale is always on a Friday, straight after pick up. Cakes are 50p each, and the children are encouraged to man the stall along with some parent volunteers.



• **FILM NIGHTS** – we organise film nights for the children, where **the school hall is turned into a cinema**. Parent volunteers run the event, and during the half time interval a drink and snack is served.



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•**SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS** – by buying vouchers for your supermarket shopping, you help raise funds without spending any more money – see the enclosed information sheet.



•**EASYFUNDRAISING** – sign up, shop with over 3,000 online retailers and easyfundraising will pay a commission to the GSA – see the enclosed information sheet.



•**SECOND HAND UNIFORM** – we have good quality, Greenway second hand uniform available at no cost or for a small donation. Find our rail at school events, or contact the GSA.



•**CONTACTING THE GSA** – you can email us; GSA@Greenway.herts.sch.uk and we have a dedicated GSA post box in the school reception area (by the school office) – use this for returning forms, paying for stuff or getting in touch.



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To What Do I Have to Commit and Contribute in Order to be Part of the GSA?

By virtue of having your child at Greenway makes you a member of the GSA already!

But don't panic - you can dip in or dip out of the GSA depending on how much you are able to commit, and any one or all of the following would really help;

- **Come along to the meetings** as and when you can, where you can have your say, make suggestions and hear what's going on.
PS - no one's keeping a register of attendance!
- **Be part of a team** which organises and runs a particular event e.g. film night, camping. school fair committees etc. *Could you be the person who orders the hotdogs for film night, creates the cake sale posters or just helps tidy up?*
- **Add your name to the 'help standby list'**; i.e. you are unable to provide a regular commitment but you are happy to be contacted if a bit of last minute or extra help is needed
- **Add your name to the GSA email group** by sending your email address to GSA@Greenway.herts.sch.uk



Anything you can do will really help, and be much appreciated.



SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS

Easy · Hassle-free

Fundraising That Costs You NOTHING!

IF YOU REGULARLY SHOP AT WAITROSE, TESCO OR SAINSBURYS, THEN THE **SUPERMARKET VOUCHER SCHEME** IS AN EASY, HASSLE-FREE WAY TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL!

WHEN YOU SIGN UP TO THE SUPERMARKET VOUCHER SCHEME YOU...

- Raise money for the school
- Can choose from major supermarkets
- Don't pay any extra & they don't effect loyalty scheme cards.



How it works:



1. **SET UP** – fill out a form and standing order for a set amount each month, for your chosen store
2. **SHOP** – use your vouchers to pay for your shopping
3. **RAISE** – the school receives a commission when you buy vouchers
4. **EASY!**



SIGN UP TODAY – download the forms from the school website **or find out more**
gsa@greenway.herts.sch.uk

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YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

It's Easy to Get Involved...

- Last year this scheme raised **£2,729.45**, but we know this could be **so much more with your help!**
- Commit to **as little as £10 per month**
- **Spend** vouchers on your weekly shop
- **Save** vouchers for a big shop
- **It's money you would be spending anyway!**



WHY NOT BUY £10 OF WAITROSE/JOHN LEWIS VOUCHERS PER MONTH AND SAVE THEM FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING OR PRESENTS?

One family purchasing...

- Waitrose/John Lewis vouchers
£100 per month = £96 per year for the school
- Tesco £100 per month = £36 per year for the school
- Sainsburys £100 per month = £30 per year for the school.

Waitrose

John Lewis

TESCO

Sainsbury's



EASYFUNDRAISING

Easy · Handy Reminder · All Your Online Shopping



If you do just
ONE THING TO HELP fundraise
for the school, sign up to
easyfundraising and raise **CASH**
AS YOU SHOP – it really is easy!

WHEN YOU SIGN UP TO EASYFUNDRAISING YOU...

- Raise money for the school
- Can choose from almost 3,000 retailers including Amazon, M&S, John Lewis, Argos, Apple, ASOS, Boots and Next
- Don't pay any extra & they don't take your payment information.



How it works:



• **SEARCH** - Every time you shop online head to easyfundraising first



• **SHOP** – Pick from nearly 3,000 retailers and shop as usual



• **RAISE** – You earn money from the retailer for your purchase which can be turned into a donation

• **EASY!**

SIGN UP TODAY, or find out more, at
easyfundraising.org.uk

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Easy · Handy Reminder · All Your Online Shopping



Make life a little easier with the easyfundraising Donation Reminder

Because...

- You will never miss a free donation
- You don't have to remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop
- It's safe and free
- It takes **less time to do than making a cup of tea!**



Simply visit easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/
You'll find us listed under Greenway School
Association – Berkhamsted



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SANDALS, FIRST CHOICE, THOMSON, THOMAS COOK AND MORE!

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easyfundraising app Get it on Google Play or
the App Store



Happy shopping!

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