



# The Ongar Academy PTA

Annual Review - January 2019



## Registered charity (116149)

Our aim is to advance the education of pupils at The Ongar Academy by engaging in activities or providing facilities or equipment which support the school and advance the education of the pupils.



## Committee members:

- Sue Barnes, Treasurer (up to July 2018)
- Micaela Bubb, Secretary
- Lynne Cherry, Vice Chair
- Susi Deller
- Nicola Ilett
- Sue Rock, Treasurer (from August 2018)
- Lisa Stahl, Chair
- Tracy Lowe



## Monthly meetings

We meet on a regular basis to plan and review our activity and encourage all parents and carers to join us. We have a growing list of helpers and without their support we wouldn't be able to resource the fundraising activities we do. We're always looking for new ideas to help us raise money. To support the PTA and join our list of helpers, email us [ongarpta@gmail.com](mailto:ongarpta@gmail.com)

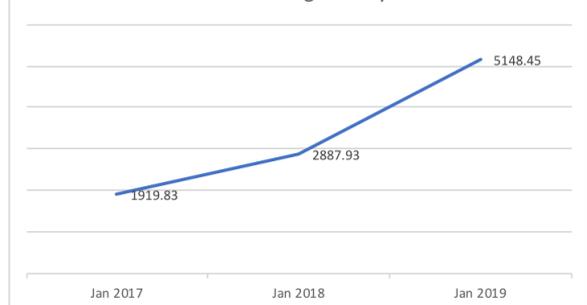


## Fundraising activity 2018 - 2019

**£5,148.45**

We've had a great year and our year-end account ends on an all-time high. The money raised is only possible because of the commitment we get from our team of helpers and the fantastic support we get from parents and carers at The Ongar Academy.

Fundraising Activity



The Ongar Academy PTA



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# Fundraising highlights



## Matched giving

**£1,000**

Through parent Tracy Lowe, and her employers charitable foundation *Lloyds Bank Foundation for England & Wales*, our funds were boosted by an additional £1,000:

- £500 matched funding for our Fashion show in May
- £500 for Tracy's volunteered time over the past year.

If you work for a company that operates a matched giving scheme, contact us to find out how you can help.



## Fashion show

**£803.26**

We held our first fashion show at the school on 14 June and it was a huge success. About 100 ladies attended the evening which involved a catwalk, discounted high street labels and a raffle. Our local retail community did us proud and donated some fabulous prizes for our raffle. Thank you Gary Pellicci hairdressers, Jamie's Nail & Beauty, Vojan Ongar, Brentwood Go Karting, The DIY Store Ongar, Eeny Meenie Miney Mo, Amanda Miller, Pramando and Blue Lotus Flower.



## Parent evening refreshments

**£721.87**

Our popular refreshment stall is well supported by parents and carers. The money it raises represents a significant amount of our total profit this year.



## Student donations

**£308**

On 26 May, the students set aside their school uniforms and put on their glad rags in support of the PTA.



## Raffles

**£391**

Parental support for our Easter Egg and Christmas raffle enabled us to raise £151 and £240 respectively. Donations included a sweet hamper from Donna Robinson and £20 Amazon voucher from Sue Rock.



## The Giving Machine

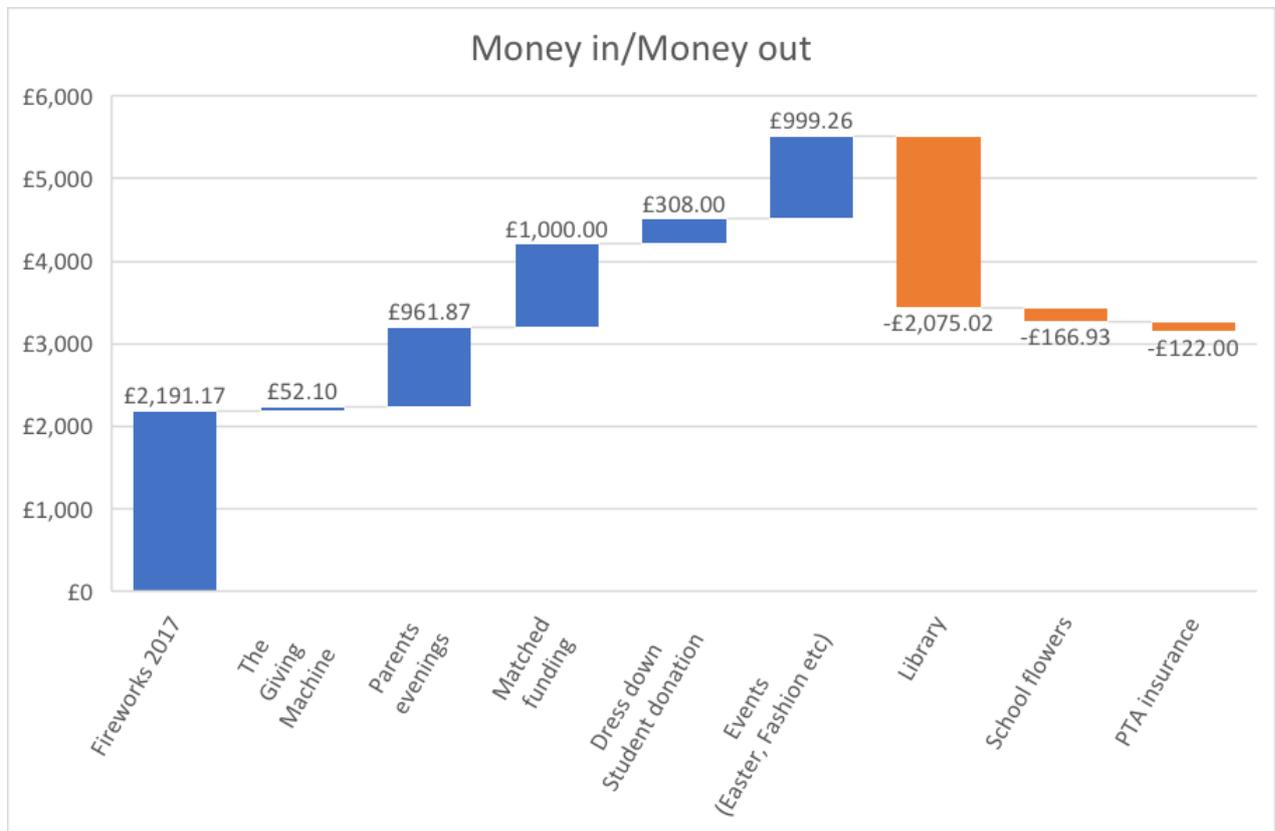
**£52.10**

Total givers 32. Donations 422 Donations to date £164.45.

The PTA get paid commission from The Giving Machine. There are over 2,000 online shops that parents and carers can buy from. Its free to sign up and we encourage as many people as possible to join. Our cause code is 265495. Visit [thegivingmaching.com](http://thegivingmaching.com)

## Fundraising 2018/19

*We've had a great year. Thank you for your support.*



## What's new?

### Ongar Academy Uniform Facebook Group

**174 members**

Launched on Facebook in November. We are helping the school, through this group, to reunite parents with their named, and unnamed, lost property. All parents and carers are invited to join this group.

*“What a brilliant idea,”*

*parent endorsement*

### STIKINS labels

**30% commission to the PTA**

We signed up with STIKINS in July. Stick on labels is just one solution to help reunite parents with their lost uniform items.

Visit [www.stikins.co.uk](http://www.stikins.co.uk) and quote 35916.

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### Twitter

**133 followers**

Launched in May 2018, we now have 133 followers.

To stay up-to-date with our latest news follow us [@ongarpta](https://twitter.com/ongarpta)

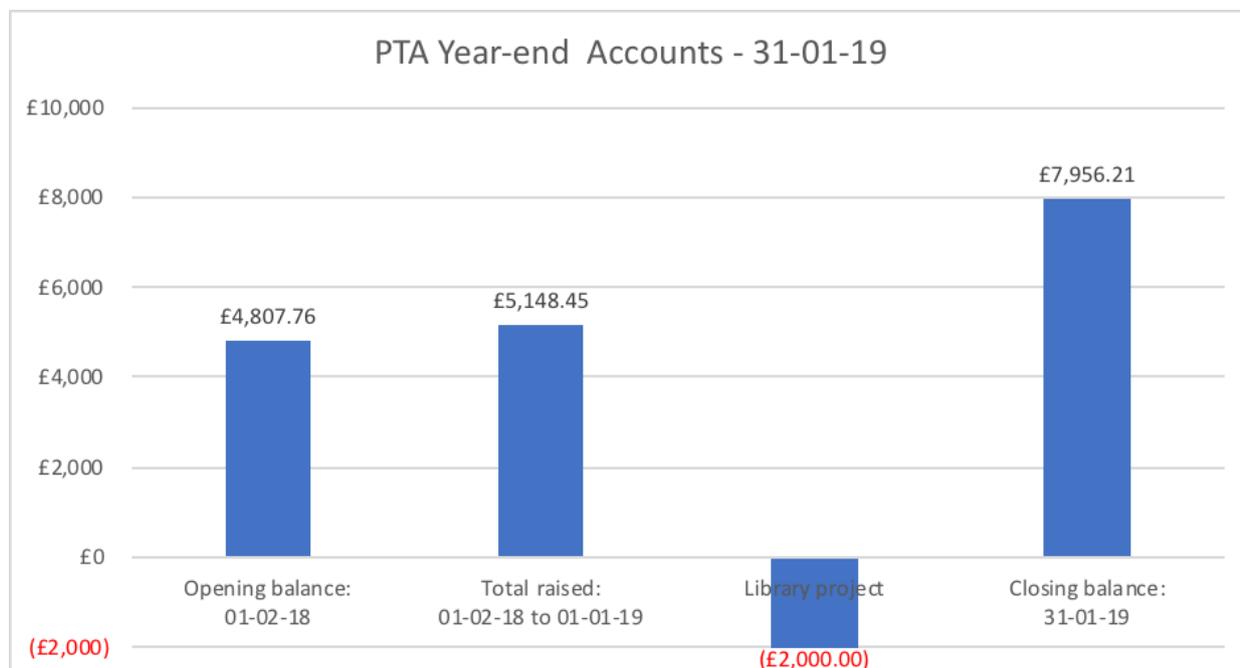


## Our accounts

### PTA funds

**£7,956.21**

We started our financial year with £4,807.76. In March 2018, the PTA made a donation of £2,000 towards the schools new library. Our activities this year raised £5,148.45, which includes a late donation of £2,191.17 from the Round Table for the schools fireworks display in 2017.



## Funding for the school

The school presented a list of items that they would like the PTA to purchase. We are delighted to confirm that the committee has agreed to purchase a number of the items they would like. The larger cost items that need further commitment for fundraising will be put forward to the parents and carers at The Ongar Academy.

It is because of support we have received from the parents and carers at the Ongar Academy that we are in a position to purchase these items. We hope your children enjoy them.

Camera	Record practical performances	PE and Drama	✓
IPad	Record practical performances	PE and Drama	TBC
Netballs	Support physical education	PE	✓
Staging	Enhance Drama performances	Drama	TBC
Curtains	Enhance Drama performances	Drama	TBC
Lights	Enhance Drama performances	Drama	TBC
Light boxes	Light up and support tracing	Art	✓
Resources	SEN eg mental health, zones of regulation, social skills	SEN	TBC
English language text books	To support accelerated reader	English	✓
Reading books	To support accelerated reader	English	✓
Outdoor seating	External recreation	Free time	✓
Table tennis	External recreation	Free time	✓
Giant connect	External recreation	Free time	TBC
Giant chess	External recreation	Free time	✓