



PA News April 2021

– Spring Survey, Better Break-times and Easy Fundraising

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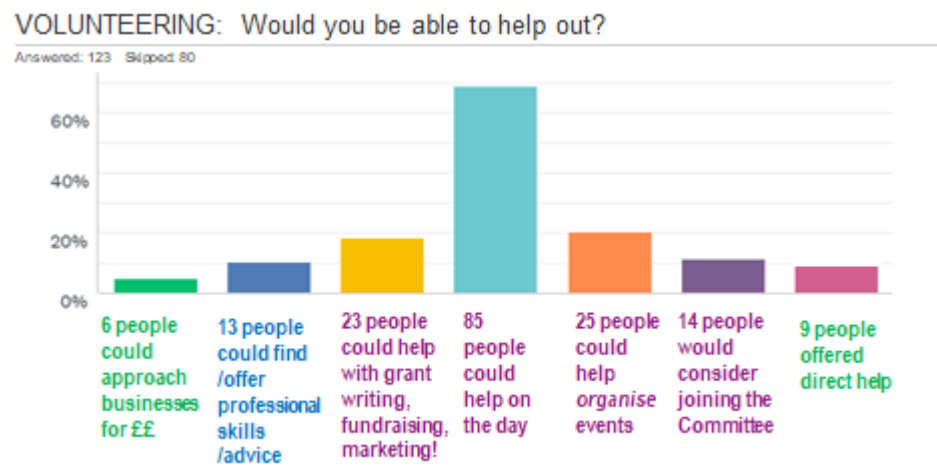
It's a fine balance between keeping everyone in the loop and email overload, so do keep feeding back with any comments or ideas: email the Committee at keviccpa@gmail.com

Spring Survey results

Thank you to everyone who filled in the recent PA survey - we had over 200 responses! It was wonderful to get so much feedback, enthusiasm and insight to help us plan activities and fundraising.

What did we learn?

1. A huge number of you kindly offered your time, energy and contacts! Yes please - we will be in touch!



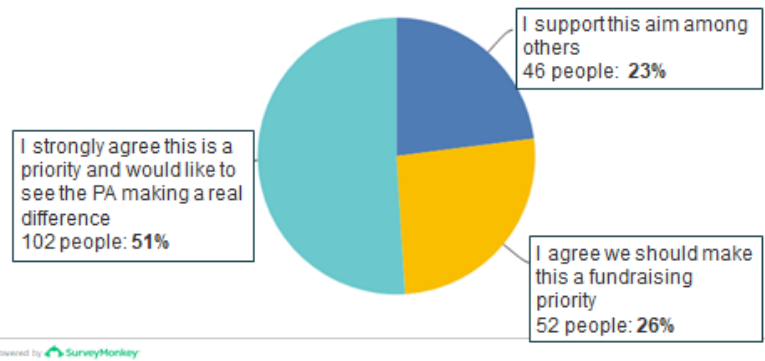
2. And almost everyone voted to get

PA News by email. Duly noted!

3. Thank you for the 130-plus detailed comments and suggestions. We have passed on to school senior management those that can be dealt with directly, and raised some at the March Parents Voice meeting. We will work through all the other comments, including proposals for a focus on inclusion and many new event ideas when social distancing restrictions become clearer.

4. There was *resounding* support for Better Break-times as a top fundraising priority – scroll down for more news. After such a challenging time the need for outdoor recreation and play is more important than ever.

Q1: #BETTER BREAK-TIMES:
How strongly do you support the aim of enriching the break-time experience?
Answered: 200 Skipped: 3



5. 98% of people agreed the PA should also support the KEVICC reading strategy.
6. Around 2/3 of respondents would like to attend events like a summer outdoor show, a fireworks evening, pop-up sales and a Christmas raffle. Nearly 50% said they might make a donation even if they didn't attend, which is generous and fabulous news. e support for different events was invaluable in helping us to plan.
7. There was a clear message that we need to shout louder about how to donate: 50% of people didn't know about the fabulous KEVICC School Lottery; and 75% didn't know about the [new] online Givey platform or standing orders. But 33% of people said they *would* use a give-as-you-shop app supporting the PA, if this was an option.
- So we have now set up an **EasyFundraising** give-as-you-shop account *and* we will add a note on the different 'ways to donate' to all our communications. We'd value feedback on how this is received. Scroll down for more info.
 - And we're now registered to collect Gift Aid – which will add 25% to each eligible donation from a UK tax payer.

Better Break-times

Following the survey endorsement, we are very happy the PA can support the creation of Better Break-times. We are in discussion with KEVICC about the playground equipment, seating and shelters they need. We all know it is more important than ever for our young people to have inspiring and safe spaces they can feel proud of, to be able to socialise, be creative, discover and invent themselves.

- We've got the ball rolling straight away, and have provided KEVICC with 'quick win' funding for new footballs and netballs for use at break-times; they should be arriving soon.
- In May we aim to fund more recreation equipment.
- We'll be setting our targets as part of a year-long fundraising plan. And we aim to raise money through events, grant applications and direct appeals to people and organisations in the wider community.

If you would like more information or to help out as part of a small fundraising group, please get in touch (KEVICCpa@gmail.com) or direct message us on facebook or twitter.

Easy Fundraising

If you shop online, please sign up to support the KEVICC PA with EasyFundraising: [XXlink](#)

This is a free platform which can make a small donation to us when you shop online – at **no cost** to you. As we are all shopping more online these days it is a very simple, no hassle way to earn funds.

And please refer a friend.....[XX](#)

Many thanks in advance for your support!

Parent Voice

The once-a-term PV meeting took place on 29th March online - see the [PA page on the KEVICC website for minutes](#).

What's coming up?

Look out for us at the **KEVICC Performing Arts summer events**. The PA will be running a bar (volunteers at the ready!) and would love to meet new parents and carers. Come and say hello!

Looking forward to re-openings soon,

Your committee:

Mary O'Toole and Emma Blackstock (co-chairs), Taryn Nixon (secretary), Becky Snow (treasurer), Susie Hall, Ivan O'Toole and Guy Rapson.

KEVICC Parents Association
connecting parents, carers and College,
and fundraising for #BetterBreak-times facilities and equipment

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