



Welcome back to school!!

This is the Parent Teacher Association's first newsletter of this school year!

Our vision is to create a better school experience for the students, parents and staff of the International School of Älmhult.

Upcoming events!

August 28th Welcome lunch at the school.

Come and meet new and old parents and teachers of the International School of Älmhult. Take the opportunity to meet and connect with each other. Students of the Haganäs school will serve lunch at a cost of 50 sek for us in the small restaurant to the left of the students' lunchroom. Please rsvp to isapta0@gmail.com **latest August 25.**

September 16th All parents meeting!

More info will follow.

Class parents

In addition to the PTA there are Class parents for each class, who act as a link between the class and the PTA. The Class parents will automatically be invited to the PTA core meetings. Please contact your child's teacher to sign up.

Today, the PTA core group are:

Alinda Dias
Camilla Binz
Eja Tuominen
Li Ahlsén
Mia Thunqvist
Parul Bhargava
Simran Sachdev
Valley Leoni
Krista Baker
Maria Haglund

On the next page, you will find the "official" text about the ISÄ PTA. We look forward to another great school year.

From the PTA core group

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THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF ÄLMHULT PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Our vision

To create a better school experience for the students, parents and staff of the International School of Älmhult.

About the PTA

- **We are a neutral and formal body of parents and teachers with the aim to support quality and continuous improvement of our children's school experience.**
- The ISÄ PTA is a non-profit organization involving all International School of Älmhult parents and staff. The PTA is an auxiliary body to the school and operates in a manner that is consistent with the mission, philosophy and objectives of the school.
- The aim of the PTA is to support and nurture clear communication between all stakeholders, for example the School, Älmhult Kommun, local groups, businesses and parents. We seek to encourage the growth and reputation of the school and provide support where appropriate.
- The PTA and its activities aim to benefit the whole school community.

PTA Role & Responsibilities

- Strengthen the school community
- Act as the official forum for dialogue between parents and school
- Organize class parents (with the support of the school)
- Represent the parents towards Älmhult Kommun and other parties
- Welcome new students and families
- Organize extra-curricular events and activities
- Organize committees
- Fund-raising to finance PTA activities

The PTA is able to discuss practical matters regarding the school which are in the interest of both the parents and the teachers. The PTA does not involve itself in discussing or deciding matters related to the practices and performance of individual teachers.

The parents of the PTA undertake to pass on queries and issues raised by other individual parents to the school administration, but the PTA does not involve itself in securing final decisions from the school authorities. The school response to the issue, once raised, will be reported in the minutes of the PTA core group meeting.

Meeting structure

PTA core meetings

- Members: Approx. 10 parents and 2-3 representatives from school
- Invitees: When needed
- Frequency: 2 times per semester
- Agenda: Dialogue and decisions on agreed topics (input from All parents meeting, class parents, teachers or others)

All parents meetings

- Frequency: Once per semester
- Agenda: Information from PTA meetings; Opportunity for school, Älmhult Kommun, local businesses and others to address the parents; Forum for parents to raise questions and concerns

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The information published in this document represents the **Constitution of the ISÄ PTA**.

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