



10 reasons why we need your help!

As parents, you are **AUTOMATICALLY** a member of the BSA... your voice counts.

The Byron School Association (BSA) depends on a continual cycle of parent involvement. As children reach their final year and leave, so do their parents. The teachers and staff support us when possible, but without all your support, we have no BSA - WE REALLY DO NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

The BSA is a mixture of parents that work together for the benefit of Oasis Academy Byron. Some are full-time parents/carers, some work part-time or work full-time. NONE of us are specialists in fundraising.

Taking an active role with the BSA is critical to your children's success, so we've compiled a list of 10 reasons why helping the BSA will greatly improve your child's experience of school.

1. You are vital to the success of the school

- The school is becoming more and more dependent on the BSA for funds.
- Without the funds raised by the BSA, your child would not get the benefits of:
 - Externally booked pantomime for the children's enjoyment
 - Helping Santa deliver books to children at Christmas
 - Wet playtime toys to use in the classroom
 - Buddy benches for sitting on at breaktime

2. It's TOTALLY flexible!

- There are a variety of small ways you can help and be involved - from designing a poster, photocopying and distributing letters in the school, cleaning up after an event, helping out on a stall...so many ways.
- Giving up just 30 minutes of your time to help the BSA is invaluable. If everyone could spare 30 minutes a term to help, just think what we could achieve!
- You don't have to attend BSA meetings - you can use our contact details to send in ideas for discussion.

3. You'll feel more connected

- There's no better way to know what events are being planned, have your say or make new fundraising suggestions, than by offering your help and support.
- You'll get to know teachers and support staff on a more familiar basis.

4. You'll be part of a great network

- Every BSA event is an opportunity to meet other parents in the same situation as you.
- You will be part of a like-minded network of people who all share a common goal of improving the school for all our children.

5. Make a difference

- By volunteering to help the BSA, you'll be able to use whatever skills you have for a noble cause.
- Our BSA strives to establish a supportive and encouraging community for the entire school.

6. We're not just for Mums!

- It's important to our BSA, our school and our pupils to have Dads, grandparents, and carers represented on our committee and to help reach out to others.
- Do you have a skill or contact that would come in useful?

7. Be a role model

- By getting involved with the BSA, you'll show your children that not only are they important to you, but their education is as well.
- Your children will see you playing an active part in making their education more varied.
- Getting involved illustrates good teamwork and community spirit.

8. What the BSA does affects every parent (and pupil)

- Your voice matters - the BSA is made up of people elected to represent you, so help us to do this effectively.
- Your ideas and involvement can help improve the quality of education for all the children at our school.
- See the smiles on their faces and know that you have played a part in making school a little more comfortable and fun!

9. It's fun!

- Help plan fun events, socials and get-togethers
- Suggest **NEW** fun ways to raise funds
- Get your whole family involved!

10. Finally...

Our children are only at school for a relatively short time. BSA events such as the Summer Spectacular and discos will be remembered fondly by our children for a lifetime. The equipment and resources the BSA helps fund make learning even more engaging. Help us continue to create lasting memories for our children.

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