

PTA- October 2017 Update

Our Events

It's been a very positive start to the academic year for the PTA. We were delighted to host the Cheese and Wine evening in September and to welcome many Reception parents to the school, as well as parents from other year groups. This was a lovely, social opportunity to chat with parents, school staff and Governors, along with wine, cheese, homemade cakes and beautiful flute music. Thanks to everyone who came along.

It was also great to see the children having lots of fun at Scoot and Skate and the School Discos. Both were very popular, and we raised £150 and £585 respectively.

First Aid

We are looking for volunteers who are happy to be First Aiders at our events, and we have a first aid training at school on Fri 3 Nov, 8:30am-3:30pm. Please let us know if you are interested in taking part.

PTA Annual General Meeting

Each year we hold an AGM to elect your PTA Committee and report on our work. This meeting is a legal requirement which we need to fulfil. We must have 26 people present to go ahead. The AGM is held in school on Wed 1 Nov, 7:00-7:30pm. If you can come along to this meeting and help us to continue raising funds for the school we would be very grateful (you don't need to volunteer to take on a job!). Please RSVP if you can attend.

Christmas Market

Our popular Christmas Market is being held on Sunday 26 November, 11:30am-2:00pm. We are delighted that once again this event is being sponsored by Anthony Martin Estate Agents (www.anthonymartin.co.uk). We will receive a donation for each estate agent board advertising the market. If you are happy to have a board outside your home please do let us know. We are busy collecting prizes for our Christmas Raffle. Cruise & Maritime Voyages have generously donated a cruise as our top prize, and Anthony Martin have contributed £100 cash as second prize. Other contributors include Down House, Explore Learning and Small World Clothing. We would love to hear from you if you know a company that would also like to contribute!

Our Class Co-ordinators will be busy contacting parents in all classes asking for your help to prepare for the Christmas Market and run the stall/area that you have been allocated. We have also sent out a checklist detailing all our donation days and inviting children to design the Market poster. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and is a huge school community effort- last year we raised £4400! Details of all donation days will be on Mailings, Facebook and the school fence posters. We know that November is always the PTA's busiest month and we thank you in advance for your support.

Many thanks,

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Forthcoming Dates

Tues 31 Oct – Fri 3 Nov: Phil the Bag textile recycling donations (clothes, bags, shoes, etc)

Tues 31 Oct – Fri 3 Nov: Teddy/Soft Toy donations (led by Reception)

Wed 1 Nov, 7:00-7:30pm: PTA Annual General Meeting, at school

Wed 1 Nov 7:30-9:00pm: PTA Committee Meeting, at school

Fri 3 Nov: Deadline for Christmas Poster competition

Fri 3 Nov: Funky Feet Day. Wear funky socks/tights and donate a bottle (wine, beer, etc)

Fri 10 Nov: Wear it Red. Wear an item of red clothing and donate your jolly jam jar (see mailings) (led by 1P)

Thurs 16 Nov: Chocolate donation day

Fri 24 Nov: R, Y1, Y2, Y3 donate cakes. Y4, Y5, Y6 donate mince pies. (led by Y5)

Fri 24 Nov, 7-9:30pm: Spread a Little Sparkle. Bring a bottle and help us set up the Christmas Market

Sun 26 Nov: Christmas Market. 9- 11:30am set up; 11:30-2 Market, 2-4pm clear up. Phew!