

28 January 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

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Welcome back after what I hope was a relaxing Christmas break! Happy New Year to you all & the PTFA welcomes the new families who have joined the school, we hope that you settle quickly into your community.

The PTFA would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all of you for your support last term. The Christmas plays & carol service were just brilliant with the children making us proud & the hard work of our teachers contributing greatly to these events. A special thank you must go out to all our helpers at the Christmas party. It was a lovely day that was greatly enjoyed by the children & the PTFA couldn't hold such an event without the massive input you all give so we very much appreciate your support.

What we've raised

KS2 Disco - £263
Christmas Raffle - £448
onations for refreshments from KS1 Christmas Plays - £70
Acers and Chestnuts Cake Sale - £122.

What we're spending

£275 - for a Coach Ash Class £50 - for each class for Christmas to fund half of the next theatre group visit £6000 - earmarked for our outdoor space

Grant requests & donations

Cheese festival - £2,500

Our major funding aim is to improve the outdoor play equipment - a long term project which should benefit both the school & local community. Carol Wee, our treasurer, tirelessly completes our applications for funding towards this & she has applied to 25 organisations over the last year. It is well worth her time as we will be receiving £2,500 from the Cheese festival which will be a major help in achieving our aim.

What fun stuff is coming up?

Friday 5th Feb - Our second annual Sponsored Walk



Everyone enjoyed this last year & we open this up for everyone, just come to school for 1.20pm & then off we all set. Key Stage 2 pupils will continue their walk a little further this year, & we have hot chocolate & biscuits for everyone back at school on their return. The PTFA are very pleased to tell you that HSBC are providing these refreshments & once again, offering matched funding.



Tuesday 9th Feb - is Shrove Tuesday so frying pans at the ready & a surprise bag will come home with the children on this day just wait & see! This "surprise" runs to Monday 14th March no we're not telling you anything else!

Friday 26th Feb - KS1 "Sports Party" (4.30pm to 6pm) so popular with all the children & we decided to give this school Disco a Sports them. Mr Blake has kindly agreed to be our DJ, Sarah Mawer is our games organiser with the help of Isabel Feltham one of our Yr 6 leavers. I am sure we have lots of Sportacus's & Stephanie's out there, so get those party clothes picked out, see you all there!



<u>Cake Sales Helpers</u> are always needed!

Two cake sales per class are held each year, usually on a Friday after school for approximately half an hour. Please let us know if you'd be prepared to help by contacting Mrs Hanson in the office or Emma Smith by email, schmemmbo_@yahoo.co.uk.



Next Sales:

Ash - Friday 12th February Acorns - Friday 11th March



NEW DATE

Please note the Summer Fete Date Saturday, 9th July 2016 Thank you!

We look forward to hearing from you.

- ❖ Hannah Rigler (PTFA shared Chair & Mum to Joseph Acers Yr 5) 07887 397733, 01258 474610 or email hannahmirigler@gmail.com
- Emma Smith (PTFA shared Chair & Mum to Caitlin Chestnuts, Yr 1) 07789 058166 or email schmemmbo 1@yahoo.co.uk
- ❖ Lisa Drudge (PTFA shared Chair & Mum to Ollie Chestnuts Yr 1 & Annabel Oaks Yr 6) 07747 464002 or email lisadrudge@hotmail.com
- Susannah De Ferry Foster (PTFA shared Chair & Mum to Harry & Freddy, Oak & Acers Yr 6 & 5) Tel: 07899 897791 or email via the school office.

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