

Autumn Newsletter

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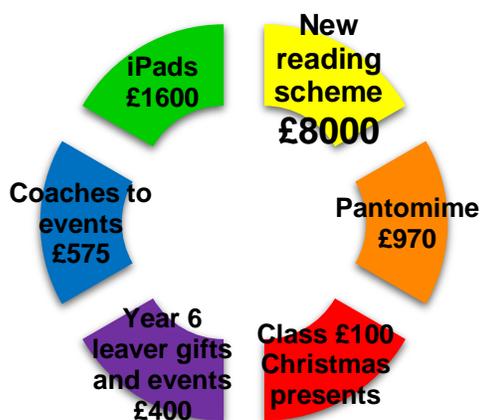


Fundraising success

A huge thank you to all of the parents and carers who supported TePTA last year for another successful year of fundraising.

Schools are becoming more and more dependent upon PTA's for fundraising revenue to supplement the school budget. The PTA plays an important role in helping the school to acquire key resources as well as reward the children with some well-earned treats.

Below are some examples of the ways that TePTA donations have helped our schools recently



Your ideas

At the beginning of the last academic year we were contacted by a number of parents asking for more events for the younger pupils, who don't get to attend the Junior discos or film nights. We were pleased to be able to put in place a Year 1&2 disco at Easter and a Foundation and Year 1 party in the summer. We are looking forward to offering some new events for the Infants this year.

Come along and find out more.....

Our next AGM will be held on **27th September at 7pm at the Infant School**. Please do join us if you are able - we love to see new faces!!

Exciting changes for the new academic year

We have been working with the schools to explore how we can simplify our communications, particularly in line with the new data protections laws.

We are keen to be inclusive of all parents and are aware that it was difficult to link to TePTA via Facebook and the website. We are therefore excited to announce that TePTA will have a profile on the Class Dojo. This means that we will be able to send out information via the Dojo and parents will be able to message us through the app.

You will be able to find meeting minutes and any other information relating to TePTA in our page on the school website.

Any ideas?

We are always looking for new fundraising ideas – please do get in contact with any ideas you may have. Contact us via ClassDojo or catch us in the playground!

Meet the committee



Karen Meikle (Chair); Laura Weston, Fiona Reynolds (Deputy Chairs); Kata Tamasi (Treasurer).

We currently have vacancies on the committee for a Secretary (and help with any of the other roles for anyone keen!!)

Please do get in touch if you are interested in a committee role. It would be great if we could get Dad's and male carers represented within TePTA.

Help needed!! Do you have an hour to spare at some point during the year?

We know that parents often don't come along to TePTA meetings because they are afraid they will never escape! As four working Mums, the committee understand that people are busy. We always welcome any help that parents and carers can give us. There are lots of events during the year, both large and small, and their success relies on the assistance of volunteers.

We cannot do it without you. There are a number of events through the year but, like you, we only have so much time to give and these will have to be cancelled if we cannot get enough parent support. We would love it if you and a small group of friends would like to take the lead on an event. We can give you everything that you would need and a guide to how the event works but if you have your own ideas and would like to try something new that would be fantastic!

It's TOTALLY flexible! There are a variety of small ways you can help and be involved - from designing a poster, wrapping gifts for a lucky dip, cleaning up after an event, helping out on a stall...so many ways. Every little helps and without your support, we have no PTA! We really would love as many of you as possible to get involved! If everyone could give us 30 minutes during the year we would be able to achieve so much!

You, your family and friends can help in many other ways as well....



Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be raising a free donation for TePTA? There are nearly 3000 retailers on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra! It's really simple, all you have to do is join (sign up is free) and then shop! As easy as that! Visit

easyfundraising.org.uk/tepta



Sign up to the **100 club**. A monthly standing order of £5 gives you the chance to win up to £100 each month with two mega-draws per year with a prize of £250. All you have to do is choose your lucky number!

Contact us via Dojo for more information.



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