

PTA NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th November



Welcome to our updated PTA newsletter!

We are thrilled to introduce a fresh format and a new team, but before we delve into the exciting changes, a heartfelt thank you to Kirstin and Michelle for all their hard work and contributions over the years.

Our current team is passionately working on various fundraising projects, with the primary aim this year being to acquire 60 iPads for the school. Below, you will find upcoming dates, a few requests and additional information.

To maintain clear communication without overwhelming you, we will be sending a weekly newsletter.

WE NEED YOU

We need some help with some jobs/events and were hoping some parents/carers of our pupils may be able to help or know someone who can.

ROOFER – Our PTA garage roof requires some repairs. If you have the skills to assist with this, please contact us.

DJ FOR DISCOS – We are in need of a DJ with availability on Wednesdays so we can relaunch the famous St James' Discos! If you think you can help, please contact us.

PAT TESTER – We have some electrical items that need testing. Please get in touch if you can help.

HANDY-PERSON – We are seeking an individual or a group of volunteers to help paint the PTA shed. If this is something that interests you, please get in touch.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENT ROOM

The present room event is quickly approaching and we still require a few more volunteers to ensure its success – Please sign up here: [VOLUNTEER](#)

HOW DOES THE PRESENT ROOM WORK?

Order online – Start with the first child who will be buying gifts (1st Child) then select how many gift recipients you would like this child to buy for by selecting them from the drop down menu.

Once you have finished with the gift selections for the 1st child, enter their name and either checkout or move on to do the same with the 2nd child and so on.

The children will enter the present room and choose gifts to buy for the listed recipients we receive from the online order.

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ONLINE UNIFORM SHOP

We are excited to unveil that we will be launching a new online uniform shop, in response to your requests, Fear not! Traditional, in-person uniform sales will continue for those of you who prefer it. Please visit our website for more information: [PTA WEBSITE](#)

UNIFORM DONATIONS

Thank you to all who have donated clothing. Please hold on to any donations for the time being whilst we manage the influx of contributions. We will let you know when we can commence donations again but until then, know that your support is valued and very much appreciated.

MATCH FUNDING

We are exploring match funding, where a generous donor, doubles the amount raised at an event. If you have any insights or would like to be part of this impactful initiative, please contact us. This could make a real difference to the school.

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SURVEY

We have initiated 2 surveys to gauge parent preferences. please take this opportunity to have your say on your ideal events, days and times. This information is extremely helpful to us so please take a few minutes to complete the quick surveys.

TAKE THE SURVEY [HERE](#)

COMPETITION TIME

Young inventors, join our 'Design-A-Toy' contest! Imagine your dream toy, sketch it and drop it in the PTA postbox by the reception. Make sure entries include your name and class! 2 winners will be announced in the weekly newsletter. Unleash your creativity and good luck!

DEADLINE: 25TH NOVEMBER 2023

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THANK YOU!

A heartfelt thank you to all our volunteers this year!

Your dedication and hard work have been truly appreciated. Your contributions make our community stronger. Thank you all for making a difference to the school and the children.

UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

Own clothes day (bring a present room donation)

MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

Christmas Jumper Donations & last chance to order for the present room

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Secret Present Room

FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER

Christmas Jumper Shop

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER

Santa Run – Info attached

Thank you all, have a lovely weekend.

The PTA.

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