

PTA NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th November



Welcome to our updated PTA newsletter version 2.0!

We are continuing to work extremely hard to bring the children some festive fun whilst continuing to work towards our goal of securing enough funds to buy the items the school needs.

As a reminder, **the school requires 60 iPads (30 for infants and 30 for juniors)**
We appreciate all your help and assistance supporting us in making this possible.

We could really do with a few more helping hands. We know everyone is busy and time is precious, but even the odd half an hour for an event would be gratefully received.

Please consider **VOLUNTEERING**, **COMPLETING A SURVEY**, **DONATING** or maybe you can help with any of the below...

WE NEED YOU

We need some help with some jobs/events and were hoping for some parents/carers of our pupils to help or maybe you 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 need 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.

PTA SECRETARY – This would be a 'do from home' job and not a massive commitment, just helping with a few admin bits here and there.

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FANCY A TIPPLE?

Copper Rivet Distillery have kindly offered St James' community 15% off all orders. They have a lovely range of Whiskey, Gin and Vodka. Perfect gift for Christmas? Head over to their website and enter code **STJAMES15** at checkout, enjoy!
Code valid until Jan 2024

VISIT COPPER RIVET DISTILLERY ONLINE [HERE](#)

SURVEY

Your opinions are important to us!
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 these quick surveys. Just click on the link below!

TAKE THE SURVEY [HERE](#)

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 that we receive from the online order.

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UNIFORM DONATIONS

A reminder that we are not currently taking any donations, please hold on to these for the time being.

BOOK COLLECTIONS

We will be collecting book donations from the 4th of December for our book week bookshop. Please leave any donations in the labelled box in the office.

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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ADVERTISING SPACE

St James' PTA isn't all about fundraising, we want to enhance and support the St James' community. We are considering opening up an advertising space on our website and weekly newsletter. If you would like more information or to show your interest in this opportunity, please contact us.

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EASY FUNDING

Support St James' for free!

Please consider signing up to Easy Funding – order from your usual shops through the app and the school PTA will receive a commission.

REGISTER [HERE](#)

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COMPETITION TIME

Thank you to all who entered the 'Design-a-Toy' competition. The winner will be announced in next week's newsletter.

We have another competition this week, **Spot the Santas!**

Take a good look at the image below and simply tell us how many Santas you can see hiding in the picture.

Write your **answer**, **name** and **class** on a piece of paper and drop it into the PTA box in the office. A winner will be selected at random from all the correct entries - Good luck!

DEADLINE: 2ND DECEMBER 2023



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UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

- Christmas Jumper Donations
- Last chance to [order for the Present Room](#)

THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

- Last chance to donate prizes to the Christmas Raffle
Please give to Jane in the office

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

- Secret Present Room
- Christmas Raffle Opens
- Last chance to [order Panto Tickets](#)

FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER

- Christmas Jumper Shop

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER

- Santa Run – [Info here](#)

Last but by no means least, a huge thank you for all the donations already received.

It is thoroughly appreciated, thank you!

Have a lovely weekend.

The PTA.

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