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#### **SEPTEMBER 2023**

# Welcome to a new school year!

Welcome back everyone and a very warm welcome to our new reception parents! It was lovely meeting some of you at our new parent events over the summer. We hope everyone had a lovely break. We are all refreshed and looking forward to a busy year of activities and fundraising events. In this Newsletter we will share what we have planned for the year!

## Firstly an update on Last Term's Fundraising

During the last term before summer we held our **Summer Fair** which despite the questionable weather raised an amazing £4,245. £339 of this was raised at the Ice Cream and Pop up Toys & Books stall that we held just before the Summer break to sell the remaining stock! A huge thank you to the PTA and Summer Fair Committees, teachers and the numerous class volunteers who helped out with both events and to everyone who came to join in the fun!



# **Charity Bike Rides**

June saw our very first sponsored **children's bike rides** - a 10km road ride around Bramhall and a 30 minute ride around the school grounds. Thank you to Mike Smith for his amazing organising and Mrs Seymour-Smith's support on the day. Both rides were well attended with all participants receiving a certificate and medal and raised a total of £1763 in sponsorship.





Not to be out-done by their kids, Mike also organised the **parent's ride**, 105 miles from Conwy to Bramhall in the worst rain we had seen for months! This raised a further £1287. Read Mike's full eventful encounter at (justgiving.com/pownall-green-pta. A huge thank you to everyone who took part in the ride, their poor suffering partners and children who stood out in the rain to welcome them home, everyone who sponsored and to the welcome home party.





Finally, we also sold the **class tea towels** within Reception and raised a further £111. Thank you to Ruth for coordinating.

### So what do we have planned?

A few dates for your diaries and some events for the parents too!



#### **AUTUMN AFTER SCHOOL DISCO**

£2.50 per child. Book via Gateway or cash to the school office in an envelope with child's full name and class no later than 2 days prior to the disco. No payments on the day please. Requests for parent helpers will go out via the Class Rep groups.

Years 1/2 28th September 4.30-5.30 Years 3/4 4th October 4.20-5.20 Years 5/6 4th October 5.30-6.30

#### **PICTURES & PROSECCO**

Tuesday 10th October 2023 7-9.30pm NEW FOR 2023!!

Kate from Outside The Lines runs 'create and connect sessions' to encourage wellbeing by having fun creating something arty, whilst you sip on prosecco, catch up with old friends and meet new ones! Some well deserved you time! (Other drinks will be available!) £25 per ticket includes welcome drink. Limited number of places available. Book via Gateway by no later than 2nd October.



## What do we have planned for Christmas?



#### **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Towards the end of this term, Children will create their Christmas Card artwork. We are using a different company this year following feedback. Information on how to order will be sent out towards the end of October / beginning of November.

#### WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

### Thursday 30th November 2023 7-9pm

Back by popular demand, come along and make your own beautiful individual wreath ready for Christmas. All materials and refreshments provided. £40 per ticket. Limited number of places available. Book via Gateway.



### **CHRISTMAS MARKETS**



### Friday 1st December 2023

More details to follow.

We do need volunteers to support the committee so if you've always wanted to get involved, now is the time. We'd love to hear from you. Please email <a href="mailto:pownallgreenpta@gmail.com">pownallgreenpta@gmail.com</a>

## How you can help and get involved...

- 1. Does your employer have a match funding policy for Charity events? If so, volunteer for an event and help us raise even more. We can provide you with a letter from the PTA detailing the date and event, together with the total raised. A little bit of your time could help us raise double the funds for the PTA.
- 2. Come along to the PTA meetings and help plan / organise events. You don't need to have been before. We are a friendly bunch!
- 3. If you don't have time to help organise any of the big events, can you volunteer to help out on a stall at Christmas or volunteer at the School Discos? We always need helpers, even if you can only give a small amount of your time.
- 4. Could your business or employer donate or sponsor an auction prize or raffle for the Christmas Market or Charity Ball in March.
- 5. Shop at all your favourite online stores and raise money for the PTA at the same time by downloading the easy fundraising app. Visit <a href="mailto:easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/pownallgreenpta">easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/pownallgreenpta</a>

## How to get in touch...

If you want to offer to help out at any events, have any questions about events or general PTA related queries please email us at: <a href="mailto:pownallgreenpta@gmail.com">pownallgreenpta@gmail.com</a> We would love to hear from you.



# The next PTA Meeting...

Come and join us at our next PTA meeting on Wednesday 4th October 2023, 7.30pm at the Ladybrook Pub. We will be discussing events for the Autumn term and the Christmas Markets.

Our AGM is on Wednesday 8th November 2023, 7.30pm at school. Everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing you soon!