

# PTA Newsletter - December 2016

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

We hope you will find it helpful to have some information about the events coming up this term.

## **Nativity Play – Weds 7<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> December**

The PTA will be selling hot drinks and mince pies before each performance while the children get ready. There will also be a raffle each day with tickets on sale before the play. The performance will be recorded, (subject to parental approval) and DVD's will be on sale for £2.50 each. Further details about the nativity play will be sent out in the weekly school newsletter.

## **Rainbow raffle collection**

Each class at school is given a colour and the children are encouraged to bring in donated items in that colour theme. The donations from each class are packaged together into a bumper sized coloured hamper which is raffled off at the Christmas bazaar. All kinds of things can go into the hampers, big or small and the cost isn't important so please give what you can. We only ask that the items are new, or as good as new.

Here are some ideas to get you started; tinned / packet food, sweets, small gift items, soap, candles, Christmas items etc.

Butterfly class – Red

Owl class – Blue

Woodpecker – Green

Robin – Gold / yellow

Kestrel – Silver / white

## **Christmas Bazaar - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 3pm.**

The school hall will be filled with a festive collection of stalls selling cakes, sweets, seasonal goods, stocking fillers and craft items. Santa Claus will be waiting to see the children in his grotto and there will be tombola games for adults, boys and girls as well as the legendary chocolate tombola, where every prize is guaranteed to be... chocolate!

The winning tickets for the 'rainbow raffle' are drawn and the grown-ups can try their luck at winning some 'seasonal drinks'.

The PTA will be selling hot dogs, drinks, crisps and cakes from the school kitchen. If you can, please bring small change with you as we often run out.

## What happens at the event?

Doors open at 3pm. Tickets to see Santa cost £1 each and will be on sale from the school office or at the bazaar on the day. To avoid long queues the children will be called in small groups, look out for Santa's helper who will help this run smoothly.

The PTA would be very grateful for donations of the following items for prizes:

- \* Bottles of wine or spirits
- \* Items for the rainbow raffle
- \* Chocolate – (any kind, large or small)
- \* Cakes – homemade or bought
- \* Prizes for adult, boys and girls tombola stalls, e.g. toys, puzzles, pens, jigsaws, new and packaged toiletries, stationery sets, ornaments etc.
- \* Unused small toys and novelties for lucky dip prizes, e.g. small stationery, rubbers, sticker packs, bouncy balls, notepads etc.

We also use the following to decorate the stalls and wrap gifts and would welcome any donations;

- \* Christmas wrapping paper (part rolls are fine)
- \* Strong string
- \* Cable ties
- \* Christmas themed table clothes
- \* Christmas decorations
- \* Christmas napkins

*Please have a look around your home to see if there is something you don't use or no longer need, we can probably find a use for it! Why not ask grand-parents, your employer or other family members for donations too. All the profit from PTA organised events is spent on the children at school so please give if you can.*

If you would like to help at this or any other PTA event please contact Sam Vigor, Sarah Alford or Tamara Antone. There is no obligation to come to the meetings or help regularly, a few hours as and when you are able would be just fine.



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Finally, the PTA would like to say a big thank you to all the wonderful parents, teachers, helpers and children who support us at our events.

*Season's Greetings to you all*