

## Hello and an update from your PTA

We thought it was timely to give you a little update on the PTA and its activities. This year has been a busy one behind the scenes. Many of you will know the PTA runs as a charity with a small board of trustees and a larger committee all volunteering their time. We welcome support from every parent at the school however large or small it may be. Ultimately, we aim to provide more funds for the school to use with our children and to build a stronger community within. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Richard for chairing the PTA for many years and supporting the handover to myself over the last few months. If you feel you'd like to be involved in any way, please get in touch with myself and you'd be very welcome. Very soon you will find the PTA board (located in the playground) with photos of some PTA members so you can say hi in the playground too!

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As you will be aware, the school fair was rescheduled to the new school year and will now take place on 22 September so it will be a busy start to the school year. We hope this little update will help so everyone is prepared.

## School Summer Fair – 22 September 2023

We are hosting this event in the back playground and excitedly in the NEW green area too! Please do come along to enjoy the event with your children and feel free to bring with you a picnic blanket to enjoy the new space. If you are able to help in anyway, please email me using the address above. We need help setting up from 1.30pm, on stalls during the event 3pm – 4.30pm, clear up normally from 4.30 - 5.30pm

Here is some planning to get things ready for the big day!

- a) Non-uniform day – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September– please bring in a jar or tombola prize.  
YR; Y2; Y3; Y4; Y5: please bring a tombola prize.  
Y1 and Y6 please bring a filled jar (the jar can be filled with anything you wish!)
- b) This year at the school fair we're incorporating a token payment system – more on this in the new school year so please watch out for updates.
- c) During the event, we are going to have live music performances. If you and/or your child has a performance, they/you would like to do please let us know so we can put a programme together. We'd love to involve the full school community: can you sing, play an instrument, do a dance to entertain? Please email us to let us know about your performance so we can have a varied set.
- d) Raffle prize – do you know someone who can donate a prize, could your company support in this way?

**School's Lottery** – We have decided to join the school's lottery. This is your opportunity to support school at the same time as having a great chance of winning! Lottery tickets cost £1 each. This is a great chance for someone in our school to win weekly and be in with the chance of winning £25,000 nationally

too! For every £1 ticket sold, the school retain 40p per ticket and 36p goes towards the cash prizes. To register, so you're ready for the first draw in the school year please complete this link which will take just a few seconds. <https://tinyurl.com/4kj6eext>



Or use this QR code:

**Ice-pop Friday** – thank you for your continued support; these have proved to be very popular. Thank you also to our Y6 team, who have helped to sell them each Friday. You have been brilliant throughout the summer term.

Lastly, something for the holidays!

**Fund Raisins** – each child has been given a box of raisins with this letter. These are theirs to enjoy... BUT... we would like them to save the box to start 'Fund-Raisins' for school. The challenge is to fill the box with as much money as they can over the summer holidays.

Children can do chores for change: sponsored silence, dog walking, old toy sale, bake sale, sell their art, wash the car, anything you like, the ideas are limitless.

The individual in each class with the most creative fundraising idea will win a super prize on their return. Don't forget to let us know what your creative fund 'raisin' idea was along with your total and name so we know who to reward on return.

Please can all raisin boxes be returned by 11 September.

All proceeds from this will go towards PTA funds – we are specifically working on developing the outdoor green space.

Thank you for your continued support; have a great summer and we will see you in September.

Best wishes

Caroline Muir  
Reception Parent (PTA Chair)