



St Margaret's Primary School PTA

Q1 2018 Newsletter

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A warm welcome to our first newsletter of 2018

Thank you to everyone who supported us over the previous two terms, whether that was helping at the school disco, coming along and helping at bag packing, supporting our Christmas Fayre or buying gifts as part of our Christmas Fundraiser in partnership with Class Fundraising.

Since we started back in August we have raised **£5923.93** and this year have supported the school by funding the M&M Productions performance of Cinderella. Our major expense will be paying £20,000 towards Playground Equipment. See page 2 for more information.

We were very disappointed to cancel the Christmas Disco. With conditions in the playground treacherous and temperatures plummeting we made the difficult decision to cancel to ensure the safety of children, pupils and carers.

We have many exciting events happening in 2018 and hope that you will continue to support us by attending PTA events, donating items for raffles, volunteering at discos or coming along to our monthly PTA meetings.



Family Bingo Night 16th March

Our Family Bingo night was extremely popular last year and we will be holding this years one on 16th March to which we invite all parents/carers and family and friends. Entry is free, £3 for a bingo book and £1 to enter the "half time quick bingo". Prizes will be chocolate or sweetie hampers donated as part of dress down Friday (02/03). A full tuck shop will be operating and there will be free tea, coffee or juice.

LOOK OUT FOR FLYER

Dates for your diary

March 2nd – Dress Down Day (*chocolate or sweeties to be the forfeit*)

March 5th – PTA Meeting (7pm)

March 16th – Family Bingo

June – Summer Raffle

June 22 – Summer Disco

June – Crazy Hair Day (*Date to be confirmed*)

Funds raised so far 2017/2018

Sept	100 Club	£565.00
Sept	Bag Packing	£194.48
Oct	Halloween Disco	£606.32
Oct	Bags 2 school	£41.20
Dec	Xmas Fayre	£3,134.42
Dec	Xmas Cards	£1,187.31
Dec	Tea towels	£195.20
		<u>£5,923.93</u>

DRESS DOWN DAY

On Friday 9th March children do not need to wear uniform to school.

They will be asked however to donate chocolate or sweets to the PTA which will be used for prizes at our Family Bingo night (16th March)

Thank you for your support

**WE NEED
YOUR
UNWANTED
GIFTS**



It's happened to us all. Opening a present to find something that you either already have or just isn't your cup of tea.

But don't fear – the PTA will happily accept donations of unwanted gifts all year round for use in future tombolas / raffles / hampers.

If you have even one gift to donate everything is gratefully accepted. **Just clearly label it PTA and send it into school.**

Playground Equipment

UPDATE

Over the last 2 years the PTA's major fundraising activity has been to purchase playground equipment for the school. In order to promote Pupil Voice, last year the Pupil Council Learning Team were given responsibility for identifying which pieces of equipment should be chosen in consultation with pupils and staff. The overwhelming choice was a climbing frame and chute.

We are delighted to report that an order has been placed by the school and that installation will take place over the next few months. The PTA will be contributing £20,000 towards the cost of the equipment, surfaces and installation.