

# Penshurst Primary School PTA Newsletter



Hope you all had a lovely half term break and a fun Halloween! Just Bonfire night to and go and then it's the exciting (I use this term fairly

loosely!) run-up to Christmas. Another packed term and lots of PTA related events coming up for you to get involved with. Remember, these things are there to give the children some well-

deserved fun whilst raising cash, so any help you can offer is always gratefully received!

Huge thanks to everyone who came to Coffee Morning last term. We had some lovely feedback, so we will definitely do it again next term. Plus, we raised over £350! Such a great team behind it all, thank you everyone!

# Reminder of what is coming up!

• **SECRET PRESENT ROOM** - **we need your donations please!** Things we need are: presents for Mums, presents for Dads, Grandmas, Grandads, brothers and sister presents (aged 2-6 yrs, 8-11 yrs, 12 years and older) plus dog and cat presents (this was actually very popular last year!)

Please bring them to School Reception, they are accepting donations already. Also, people have asked if you can purchase small gifts to donate and yes, absolutely! Thank you so much in advance. The children really do love this event!

- End of Nov/ beg Dec PTA AGM 2021 (date to follow in the next few days)

  All parents welcome and a good opportunity to see what the PTA have planned for the forthcoming year, how money gets spent etc
  - Friday 3rd December Christmas Party with Captain Fantastic YR-2 4.15 5.45pm and Y3-6 5.45-7.15pm in the School Hall Tickets sold on the door £4 each (contactless payment available) Plus Tuck Shop tickets 4 for a £1
- Monday 6th December Christmas Cards to be sent home!
- Friday 10th December Secret Present Room Day (this event takes place during school hours) the chance for the children to choose, buy and wrap presents for their family whilst at school. Tickets must be paid for in advance. Link to follow in a few weeks.
- Friday 17th December Festive Break the Rules Day £1 a child (plus surprise festive guest appearance!)



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#### WHAT ARE WE RAISING FUNDS FOR?

As I mentioned before, the school has very little (if any) extra money for additional spending, which means the more we raise, the more we can help the school buy essential equipment and resources that all of our children will be able to greatly benefit from.

The list below things have been identified by Mrs Elliot as priorities for the school and together with the PTA we hope very much that we'll be able to push forward with a plan to spend some money in these areas, very soon!

- Updating the IT suite
- School trips to enable more trips and more exciting opportunities outside of school
- Refreshing the selection of books in the library (particularly nonfiction texts), vital to keep our children's learning up to date and relevant!

We have been asked by some parents (and please don't feel pressurised to do this in any way!) if they could set up a standing order - much like you can with any other charity - to donate a contribution on a regular basis. If this is something you would like to do, here are the details below:

Account Name: Penshurst Primary School Voluntary Fund

Sort code: 09-01-55

Account no: 09785700

# **WAYS YOU CAN HELP!**



## **VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!**

We always needs extra help!
Please contact your class PTA
reps, if you'd like to get
involved.



#### GIFT AS YOU EARN

Is this something your employer offers as a company benefit then please get in touch!

amykewell@gmail.com



#### **DIRECT DONATIONS**

If you can't donate time to fund-raising efforts, the PTA welcomes monetary donations! SEE LINK BELOW



### **PATCHWORK**

**Check out our Pre-loved Uniform Site!** 

https://patchworkit.com/37587/PenshurstSchool

Please contact Madds Jenner if you have any donations: madds.jenner@btopenworld.com