

Chisenhale Primary School



Chisenhale PTA Newsletter

Event news, fundraising updates and useful information from the PTA team

We've got lots coming up...

FILM NIGHT **TOMORROW** 24th JAN - Toy Story 4

Come and watch with us after school on Friday! Pixar's brilliant Toy Story 4 starts at 3.50pm. The film showing is free and drinks and snacks will be available to buy. All children must be accompanied by an adult. We still need a couple of volunteers to help us set up from 3pm and run the food stall. **Please let us know if you can help, thank you!**





CAKE SALE FOR AUSTRALIA - FRIDAY JAN 31st at school pick up

The children have been asking how the school can contribute to the relief efforts for Australia after the devastating fires. We realise that adding this to the busy calendar for this half of term is quite an ask, but we hope that you'll be up for supporting with baking or maybe helping out on the stall - thank you! **Please let us know if you can help.** Every penny we get will go to Australian charities.

QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT - FRIDAY 7th FEB Doors open 7.30pm, quiz starts 8pm.

Polish up the grey matter and come join us for quiztastic quizmasters and delicious curry.

Family, friends and neighbours are all welcome to join a team (max 6 per team)

£5 per person for quiz entry, or £10 per person to include a serving of vegetable curry, daal and rice.

Beer from the East London Brewing Co and wines available to buy.

All profits go to the Chisenhale PTA. You can buy tickets via ParentPay or from the school reception.



VALENTINE'S DAY CAKE SALE - FRI 14th FEB at school pick up

Just to keep the "every Friday" vibe going, we've got a Valentine's Day Cake Sale after school on the day itself. We'd be hugely grateful for all cakes, biscuits and bakes you can donate for PTA fundraising. We need

help on the stall, as always. **Please let us know if you can help, thank you!**

The Winter Fair made a whoppingly festive £2768.56!



The Winter Fair in December was wonderful (though it now feels like years ago!), a massive thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make it such a success and to everyone who came and supported. The raffle earnt the most with a juicy £695, followed by the cakes and samosas which raised a piping hot £651.46. The garden stall of wreaths and hyacinths a fertile £446, the gorgeous wintery grotto £375.60, the mince pies with mulled wine stall a spiced £322.30, games earnt a hooting £72.30, arts and crafts a crafty £53.60, the external stalls paid us £67.50 and the ever-generous Butler & Stag raised £84.80.





Thank you

There are so many people who put in so much effort to make it such a festive treat, a huge thanks to everyone! Specifically:

- Shelley, Meika, Suzie, Jennifer, Nadine, Tina and Rowena who spent hours creating the gorgeous grotto. And Luiz, Roi and Robin who helped set this up along with the other roof attractions.
- Santa and the elves for making it to the mighty grotto (with help from Vicki, Giovanni, Will, Mr Mortimer and Mr Allen)
- Erik and Moa for the Scandi neon genius of the poster
- Amy, Alanna and Marta for wrangling the raffle prizes and everyone who helped sell tickets
- Rachel A for coordinating the stalls
- Rubina, Tracey, Mr Leser, Mrs Purchase and Ms Bunton for all the fun and games on the top floor
- All the wonderful samosa makers, led by the amazing Fahana who came back to help this year despite her kids having left! Thanks Terri, Zaneta, Rebecca, Nisha and the ESOL team for helping out.
- All the wreathmakers and garden stall elves for their gorgeous creations and Cassie for overseeing (and making the creations sellable...!) and Keeley for running the stall
- Polly, Bryony and Rachel, assisted by Kelly, Niru, Renee, Ruth H and Maddie, for selling every last one of

their banquet table of confections
(and to everyone who baked for it!
We had loads and therefore raised
loads, thank you)

- Michelle, Rob, Neil and Asako and the mulled wine team for braving the cold to warm the grotto queuers
- The girls who sang us such a lovely Christmas solo
- The clear up team – everyone who stayed at the end to put desks and chairs back and to sweep up, especially Tracy M Becky, and Ali – the last to leave, as always.
- To anyone we have missed, thank you!

And a **huge huge thank you** to Chris and John who work tirelessly to set up, oversee and pack up (ably assisted by parents); to the office team – Kim, Jo and Chris – for coordinating; and to Sharon for being such a fabulous raffle MC and for staying late to let everyone in and out.

Unicef Rights Respecting School inspection update

As you know, the inspectors came round the school on Friday, guided by Tracy and William. Big thanks to all the parents and governors who came in to meet them - and to every parent who has chatted about rights with their children. The school will find out in a couple of weeks whether it has made it to gold. Fingers crossed!

And finally...



Introducing...

Cathy Parker, Senior Midday Meal Supervisor and Night Owls Support. Cathy has worked at Chisenhale for **41 years!** Both her daughters came to the school (her oldest is now 47). She sorts lunchtime for nursery and reception, and makes sure everyone is alright at Night Owls.

She says that she loves the job and enjoys every day - she never dreads coming to work!

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