



Coppull St John's C.E. Primary School P.T.F.A



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November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the PTFA's first newsletter of this year! Firstly, we would like to introduce ourselves. We are a group of parents, teachers and friends who work together to raise money to help support school with those little extras not covered by government funding. We formed as a committee two years ago and have worked to raise funds by organising events like Mother's Day Afternoon Tea, Freeze Pop Fridays, Christmas and Easter Bingo Evenings and Raffles to name a few. With the money raised we have helped to pay for the refurbishment of our school library, contributed towards Christmas presents for the children and leavers hoodies and special activities like the recent artists visit. We have attached the Chairman's Report from our AGM held in October which gives you a bit more information.

We could not provide this without the help of all our parents, staff and extended families, whether as volunteers or by taking part in an event, so look out for details of our events throughout the year and help us to enhance our children's school experience with your support.

Our first event of 2020-21 was our Sponsored Fun Run/Scoot/Walk/Ride, we have been amazed by the Children's achievements. Thank you so much for helping to raise about £600. If you haven't already seen the slide show on the school Facebook page or school website, check it out, the children had great fun joining in. Medals for those children who joined in have been ordered and will be awarded soon.

Our next fundraiser will be our 100 Club which we will be launching soon. It works like a lottery with half of the funds going to the PTFA fund and half going into the prize pot. The Club will be open to everyone over the age of 16 so please get involved. Participants can buy one or more number which will be entered into a monthly draw, each month there will be 3 cash prizes. This year the Club will run for 9 months, going forward it will run for the full academic year. Look out for a letter coming home soon with more details and an application form.

Once again thank you again for all of your support over the last year, and we are looking forward to getting stuck in to fundraising again this year!

Yours sincerely

The PTFA Committee



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
15TH OCTOBER 2020
7PM
VIA ZOOM

CHAIRS REPORT

Thank you all so much for making the time to attend tonight's meeting under these strange circumstances. We will be making a note of those who have attended this meeting, and in line with current GDPR rules any information will be stored securely. Minutes of this meeting will be available, please let us know if you would like a copy and we can email them out to you.

The 2019/2020 academic year WAS challenging to say the least! We had a great start with planning lots of fun events, building on the success of our first year as a new committee. However, it didn't quite work out as we planned!

We were grateful to be able to hold all of our pre Christmas events, with a book at bedtime, movie night, Christmas Bingo and Christmas Raffle. We also held a mini fayre and set up hot chocolate bar at the Big Switch On. In the new year we held a Valentines Disco which was a great success.

Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances we had to cancel our Mothers Day Afternoon Tea which was planned for 20th March, little did we know that we would also have to cancel everything else on our calendar for the rest of the year.

So far for this academic year we have sent out letters for our virtual sponsored fun run, walk, scoot, cycle and are hoping that lots of the children will be involved in this. We are expecting to roll out our 100 club before Christmas and also plan to have a Christmas raffle, the logistics of which are still being ironed out.

We will be planning more events for 2021 in the near future, so if you have any suggestions for anything we can do, which also accommodates social distancing and current guidance we would appreciate your input. With this in mind we will be placing a postbox in reception at school for any communication with the PTFA, and we have also purchased a Sumup! Card reader to allow us to take card payments at future events. We are relishing the challenge of fundraising for all those little extras for our children this year. If you would like to become more involved in what we do, please get involved with our PTFA, were a friendly bunch!

Lastly we would like to thank all of the pupils, staff, parents, grandparents, carers and extended families who supported us in any way during the last academic year, and look forward to a challenging and different year this year.



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