

PTA Newsletter

**November 2019**

**Christmas Fair: Friday 6th December 3.15pm to 5.15pm**

It’s that time of year, full of festive cheer, the Christmas fair is nearly here.

We have a Santa’s grotto, photo stand, face painting, cash raffle, tombola, refreshments and many more fantastic games and stalls. It’s FREE entry. We would love to see you and all your family and friends there to share the festivities.

Are you able to help our PTA? We need support for our big events. If you are interested, please contact us via email.

PTA@gca.herts.sch.uk

**Friday 22nd November:**

Please give your Christmas jumpers to reception by this deadline.

**Friday 29th November:**

Non-school uniform day.

To join in, please bring a chocolate bar that does not contain nuts instead of £1. The chocolate will be put towards various things at the Christmas fair.

**Friday 29th November after school:**

Pop up stall selling Xmas Jumpers.

**Friday 6th December:**

Christmas fair 3.15pm to 5.15pm.

Would you like a pitch at our Xmas fair? Please contact: [PTA@gca.herts.sch.uk](mailto:PTA@gca.herts.sch.uk)

**Friday 13th December:**

Please post your Santa letters in the box at reception by this deadline.

**Volunteers and ideas needed:**

**Events calendar:**

Over the last week, your child has received an envelope containing raffle tickets. Please sell as many of these as you can. There will be a prize for the class that sells the most raffle tickets. Tickets are 50p each. You can collect more tickets from reception. Please return ticket stubs, money and any unsold tickets to the office by lunchtime on Friday 13th December. Good luck.

**Santa Letters:**

Shortly we will be sending out our Santa letter forms. If your child would like a letter from Santa, then please fill out the form. Make sure to attach £1 and post it through the box at reception by Friday 13th of December. Merry Christmas.

**Money Raffle:**

Dear Parents and Carers.

Thank you everyone who has been supporting our pop up stalls. They have been a big success.

The popcorn and second hand uniform stall raised £81.40.

The Cookies and hot chocolate stall raised £57.96.

We had a scary time at our Halloween disco. The costumes were spooktacular. Thank you to all the staff and parents who helped to make this event happen. We raised £430.

All money raised will be going towards exciting future projects to benefit the children.

**Announcements:**

The GCA PTA have signed up to Easyfundraising.

Easyfundraising turns your everyday online shopping into free donations for our school. Just start your online shopping at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) then shop as normal. The retailers will then make a small donation to say “thank you”.

Easyfundraising have 3,757 retailers taking part.

The first time you go onto the website, it will ask you to search for a cause. Search for Garden City Academy PTA. It will then ask you to set up your log in details. On completion, you will be able to search for a retailer and carry on with your shopping as normal. In the future, you will just need to log in.

Retail therapy and raising money for the school at the same time. Perfect!

**Next Event: Christmas Jumper stall**

We are asking for donations of Christmas jumpers to be given to reception by 22nd November.

On 29th November, we will hold a Christmas jumper pop-up stall where you can purchase a Christmas jumper for £1.