



Dear parents and carers,

As warm summer sunshine feels a distant memory and we find ourselves in Autumn heading towards Winter the PTA wanted to take this opportunity to update you on our planned events from now through to Christmas including our first Christmas Fair.

**Friday 18 October Film Night** - we will be showing Despicable Me 4 in the school hall from 3.15-5pm. Children will be escorted from their classroom into the hall by their class teacher and children should bring their water bottle to the event. The PTA will be supplying children with a hot dog, a packet of Haribo and a packet of popcorn. Members of the teaching team are on hand to support the children throughout the event. When the film finishes at 5pm children can be collected from the school hall via the courtyard entrance. Tickets are now available to purchase on Arbor. If your child requires an alternative option to the hot dog please do let the PTA or School office know.



**Friday 25 October Non School Uniform today** – To support the PTA with the Christmas Fair the school have agreed that children can come to school on this day in non-school uniform in return for making a donation towards the Christmas Fair tombola / Raffle. We kindly ask for donations of the following items to ensure we have a variety to offer.

Key Stage 1 children – new and sealed alcohol, soft drinks, chocolates, sweets, savoury items

Key Stage 2 children – unwanted and unopened gift sets, toiletries, gadgets, toys

A box will be made available at each class room on the day for donations to be collected.

**Annual Christmas card designs** – we have again partnered with Cauliflower cards. The children will be designing their very own Christmas card in school and will bring the artwork home for you to view. Orders can then be placed directly on the Cauliflower cards website. We kindly ask that the art work is returned to school by 3.15pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November to ensure they are printed and delivered to school in good time for Christmas.



**Friday 22 November Winter Disco** – From 4.30pm – 5.45pm in the school hall Mr McCarthy and Mr Marston once again will be your DJ's for the night playing all your favourite songs. The PTA will have a tuck shop, lucky dip and goodies stall available. Drinks are available for purchase on the night but children are also welcome to bring their water bottles.



**Friday 06 December Christmas Fair** - The PTA have been asked to host a Christmas Fair. As this will be our first one we shall start on what we consider to be a modest scale and this will be open to the pupils, parents, siblings, grandparents and close family to attend. Further details will follow in due course. The event will take place after school in the school hall and is free to enter. There will be a number of fun activities to participate in, refreshments, raffle/tombola.





**Thursday 19 December Festive Feast** - we have renamed the PTA Christmas party to “Festive Feast” on the last day of Christmas term the PTA put on a buffet lunch for the children in the school hall and we have a very special visitor come in to see the children. We do ask for a donation of £1 per child towards the event.

Just a reminder the **ASDA Cashpot** for schools scheme is running until the 30<sup>th</sup> November whereby every time you shop at ASDA in store or online a percentage of you shop will be donated to the school. Terms and conditions <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools#cash-terms>. Currently the school cashpot amount raised is £83.40. It would be great if we could get to £100.00.

Pre-Payment for all events is via Arbor. If you are able to help out the PTA at any of the above events or have a business or work for a company that may be able to make a donation to the school please do let us know. The PTA is always open to new ideas and extra helping hands. You can reach us by emailing [monktonpta@gmail.com](mailto:monktonpta@gmail.com)

A BIG thank you to everyone who supported our Cake Bake Sale on Friday with their donation and purchases. With your support we raised £184.70 for the school.

We look forward to seeing you at another one of the PTA events very soon

Best wishes

Melanie and the PTA team x

