PTA Newsletter – 2nd November 2026



We hope you are all very well, and we are looking forward to seeing many of you at our events and activities over the remainder of this term! Read on for a quick wrap-up of the previous half-term and also what is happening over the next few weeks!

COMING UP….

PTA Cake Sale – Friday 13th November



We are inviting all our lovely families to get involved by donating homemade or shop-bought baked goodies to help make our cake sale a delicious success!

Whether you're a star baker or prefer a simple supermarket treat, every donation is very much appreciated. From cupcakes and cookies to brownies, traybakes and delicious cakes, we'd love your support!

The Cake Sale will begin at **3:15 PM (right after pick-up)** in the infant and upper phase playgrounds.

Please bring donations on the same morning to your child's class. We will collect them from there!

Provide a list of ingredients with the donation (no nuts or fresh cream, please).

Pre-cut into serving portions would be greatly appreciated.



Please label any containers with your child's name and class so they can be returned to you afterwards.

We encourage everyone to bring in their own containers to reduce packaging waste.

Please consider volunteering your time to help the PTA with setting up and selling on the day.

PTA Monthly Meeting – Monday 16th November



Join us on Monday evening from 19:00 in the school's community classroom for our monthly PTA meeting. We have a jam-packed agenda! All parents and class reps are very welcome!

PTA Break the Rules Days - Friday 20th November, 27th November, 4th December



Dear Parents and Carers,
We are excited to share our upcoming PTA Break the Rules Days! From Friday 20th November, children can break the usual school rules by dressing up and bringing in a special gift for someone.

🎁 Break the Rules Fridays

- Friday 20th November – **Dress as Your Inspiration**: Come dressed as someone you aspire to be and bring a small gift suitable for a man.
- Friday 27th November – **Pyjamas Day**: Come to school in your favourite pyjamas and bring a small gift suitable for a woman.
- Friday 4th December – **Nativity Day**: Dress as a Nativity character and bring a small gift suitable for a child.

Remember no alcohol or sharp utensils, please. And don't wrap up the presents; the children need to see what they are picking.

PTA Family Christmas Movie Night - Friday 4th December



We are excited to invite you to our **first-ever Family Movie Night!**

Everyone is welcome, so bring the whole family along for a fun-filled, festive evening together.

The movie title is a surprise! We will keep you guessing until the big reveal!

There will be plenty of delicious snacks and drinks available to make the evening even more magical.

Feel free to bring along your favourite blanket, get cosy, and settle in for a wonderful evening of festive fun with our school community.

PTA Christmas Fayre – Friday 11th December



At the Christmas Fayre, the children will get to choose two presents for the lucky people named on their form, plus a third mystery gift that's personalised and perfect for an adult!

They'll then get to wrap all their presents themselves and take them home that afternoon, ready to surprise their loved ones. The best bit? The children get to choose their own gifts without any grown-ups getting involved!

To help us prepare for our Christmas Fair, please provide each child by Monday 30th November with:

- Three squares of wrapping paper
- One carrier bag
- Three gift tags
- 5£ donation

You will also receive a form to take home. Please use this to record the names and ages of the people your child has chosen to buy gifts for.

The Christmas Fair will take place on Friday, 11th December 2026.

This event is exclusively for children; However, you are more than welcome to join us as a volunteer and experience all the Christmas magic happening on the day!

UPDATES….



School Disco
We had a fantastic turnout across all the year groups, and fun was had by all. A huge THANK YOU to the amazing parents and carers who volunteered their time to make this event a success.
We raised an incredible £ 1096 to put towards initiatives this year.

Thank you all, and do come along to our events and meetings, as it would be lovely to see you. As ever, we are always looking for fresh ideas to raise funds and spend them well to enhance our children's school journey, so you are also welcome to get in touch with us anytime at stjosephs_pta@yahoo.com

Thank you all so much and see you soon! 😊

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Everyday ways you can help!

Easyfundraising
Shop online with over 7,000 retailers and raise funds for the school at no extra cost.
Sign up here:
https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-josephs-catholic-school-hanwell-pta

Your School Lottery
Tickets start from £1 per week, and friends and family can join too.
Sign up here:
https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-josephs-ealing

Benevity (Workplace Giving)
If your employer uses Benevity, you can donate through your company or volunteer your time to support the PTA.
Find out more:
https://benevity.com/en-gb/

PTA dates 2026-2027

Monday 14th September 2026	PTA meeting	Community Room - 7 PM
Friday 2nd October 2026	PTA New Nursery, New Reception parents' coffee morning	Community Room - 8:45 AM
Monday 12th October 2026	PTA EGM meeting	Community Room - 7 PM
Friday 16th October 2026	PTA disco	School Hall 4:30-5:30 pm yr1&2 6:00-7:00 pm yr3&4 7:30-8:30 pm yr5&6
Friday 23th October 2026	Preloved Books and Toys Sale	3:15 PM - Infant & Junior playgrounds
Friday 13th November 2026	PTA Autumn Cake Sale	3:15 PM - Infant & Junior playgrounds
Monday 16th November 2026	PTA meeting	Community Room – 7 PM
Friday 20th November 2026	PTA Break Rule Day 1 (Christmas Fayre)	
Friday 27th November 2026	PTA Break Rule Day 2	
Friday 4th December 2026	PTA Break Rule Day 3	

Monday 7th December 2026	PTA meeting	Community Room – 7 PM
Friday 11th December 2026	Christmas Fayre	Dance Studio
Monday 14th December 2026	PTA Santa visiting children's class parties	
Monday 11th January 2027	PTA meeting	Community Room - 7PM
Friday 29th January 2027	PTA disco	School Hall 4:30-5:30pm yr1&2 6:00-7:00pm yr3&4 7:30-8:30pm yr5&6
Monday 8th February 2027	PTA AGM meeting	Community Room – 7PM
Monday 8th March 2027	PTA meeting	Community Room - 7PM
Thursday 18th March 2027	PTA Easter Egg Raffle	10am Lower Phase 10.30am Middle Phase 11am Upper Phase
Monday 12th April 2027	PTA meeting	Community Room - 7PM
Thursday 29th April	PTA Nursery and Reception Disco	School Hall 4:30pm-5:30pm
Monday 10th May 2027	PTA meeting	Community Room - 7PM
Friday 14th May 2027	PTA Cake Sale	3:15PM - Infant & Junior playgrounds
Monday 7th June 2027	PTA meeting	Community Room - 7PM
Friday 11th June 2027	PTA Break Rule Day 1 (Summer Fete)	
Friday 18th June 2027	PTA Break Rule Day 2	
Friday 25th June 2027	PTA Break Rule Day 3	
Saturday 26th June 2027	PTA Summer Fete	
Monday 5th July 2027	PTA meeting	Community Room - 7PM