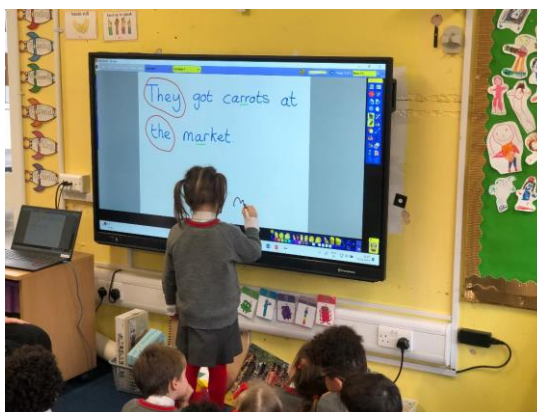
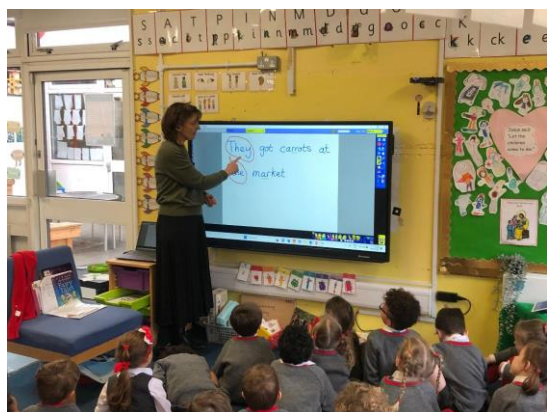


## PTA Newsletter – February 2024

With all of your help, the PTA have provided the school with 6 new Interactive boards. The children were very excited to see their new classroom equipment...well they are fantastic as you can see in the pictures below: -



## FUNDRAISING UPDATES

### Dare To Be Different

It was great to see the children enjoy their day with a twist!

A big thank you to all of our families for their donations towards our Dare to be Different day which raised a huge.... £522.00!!

The funds raised from Dare to be Different day will support a new Library for children with dyslexia, which we can all agree, is brilliant initiative!

## UPCOMING EVENTS OF THE YEAR

### Race Night

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Please come along and join in the fun, and you never know, you may even back a winning Horse, Pig or Afghan Hound!!

There will be a St Patrick's Day theme at this event.

Cost of entry is **£8 if pre-booked via ParentPay (Available now)** or alternatively you can pay **£10 at the door**.

There will be games and music during the intervals.

Snacks will be provided and there will be a bar serving beer, gin, prosecco, vodka, wine and soft drinks.

**Please arrive at 7pm as the races start from 7.30pm.**

### Happy Circus

#### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024

Roll up, Roll up! The Happy Circus is back in town so save the date for a day packed full of fun, amazement and laughter! We have partnered Worsley Bridge Primary School this year and the Circus will be held on their grounds. **Tickets cost £9 per person and are now available on Parent Pay!** More details about this event will be sent in due course.

**There are only 300 tickets available for this event, so please purchase your tickets quickly to avoid disappointment.**

## **OTHER NEWS**

### **PTA Lottery**

Many numbers have been purchased for the PTA Lottery!!

The second draw will be held at the end of term just before the Easter holiday.

**The PTA Lottery is raising essential funds to support the KS1 phonics programme, classroom libraries and our very lovely school crossing patrol officer (lollipop), Mrs Durling!**

The more people that join...the higher the prizes!

**Joining fee is £25 per number.**

### **Roles and Responsibilities**

Sally Barrett is due to step down from the role of Treasurer at the end of the school year. Please contact Donna if you are interested in this role. I have attached a copy of the Job Description with this newsletter.

Joining the PTA is a great way to get involved with supporting all of our children at our lovely school.

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### **-Sponsorship**

Would you like to help support our school by sponsorship?

You can donate a prize towards one of our raffles from you or your business! You can also sponsor our school calendar and advertise your business. If you are interested in sponsoring our school, please contact the PTA via email: [stmarysbeckenhampta@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysbeckenhampta@gmail.com)

- **Matched Funding** through your employer - An easy win, just ask your employer if they participate in this scheme and you can go from there.

- **Easy Fundraising**: Who doesn't shop online these days!

How does it work, it's very simple, shop as normal with over 7,000 retailers, just start your shopping journey first at [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk), or get our App or browser extension Donation Reminder which reminds you when a donation is available.

Once you make a purchase, our retailer partners will make a small donation to your chosen cause to say 'thank you'. Get started now!

## LOST PROPERTY

As we know our children aren't great with minding their stuff at school, so it is so important to label their clothes. Well, if you purchase your children's ***name labels from Stickins*** at [www.stickins.co.uk](http://www.stickins.co.uk) and quote our reference number 35724, under the 'school Fundraising number' field, our PTA will receive a 30% commission.

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