PTA Newsletter – May 2024

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

St Mary's PTA have been offered a fantastic opportunity by a local estate agent to **earn £1500.00**! By simply allowing a board (advertising our Summer Fair and the estate agent) to be placed outside your homes, you can contribute to our PTA fundraising efforts.

Key details:

- We need a **minimum of 30 families** to participate.
- Only houses are eligible, apartment blocks cannot not be used for permission purposes.
- Boards will be placed on 3rd/4th July and remain for 6 weeks as standard.

How to participate:

If you are interested in helping, please let your rep know as soon as possible by providing your details (name and address) or email us at stmarysbeckenhampta@gmail.com. We will then pass this information to the estate agent to get your board up.

FUNDRAISING UPDATES

Happy Circus

The Happy Circus was a wonderful day with all of the tickets being sold in advance and plenty of fun had during the day!

It was so lovely to see the children's faces full of amazement and joy!
It was the first time that St Mary's worked in partnership with Worsley Bridge School

who hosted the event on their grounds and it was a great success!

Thank you to all of the families that attended and to all the volunteers who helped on the day! **We raised an amazing £1000.00**!!

UPCOMING EVENTS OF THE YEAR

Own Clothes Day Friday 28th June 2024

There will be an own clothes day to raise additional funds towards our Summer Fair! Children can come to school in their own clothes for a **donation of £1**. Payment can be made by ParentPay which will be available in week before the own clothes day. Alternatively, there will be a collection at the school gates on the day.

Summer Fair Saturday 6th July 2024

We have so much planned for you all....

Including a **BBQ** (with vegetarian/vegan options), children's picnic boxes, along with a fully stocked **Bar and Music!**

There will be an **Inflatable assault course** and **a Bouncy Castle** for the younger children...*It doesn't stop there...*There will be **Plenty of Games with prizes to be won**, which include:

Hook a Duck, Lucky Dip, Splat a Rate, Coconut Shy, Flip it to Win it, Tin Can Alley, Choco Cards, tombola and Penalty Shoot Out!!!

There will be many stalls on the day...

- Toy stall
- Ice cream, candy floss, sweet dummies, twist lollies and sweetie cones....

AND...We will have a very special TV guest appearance for a meet and greet with the children...they will not be disappointed!!

There will be stalls hosted by parents and families and friends of St Mary's selling their own products! These include....

Cloverleaves Ltd

@cloverleaves_ltd www.cloverleaves.co.uk Bespoke and quirky cards sharon@cloverleaves.co.uk

Charm Me Creations

@charmme_creations Croc Charms and themed cups info@charmmecreations.com

Atram Colours

@atramcolours www.atramcolours.co.uk Handmade colourful jewellery made by Marta (year 2 mum) info@atramcolours.co.uk

Year 6 enterprise stall

Year 6 students will be selling their creative designed bracelets.

Irina Papane

Handmade goods - Kids hair accessories, felt products, candles, soaps etc.. Ponto Studio

www.pontostudio.co.uk

Info@pontostudio.co.uk

This local business provides comprehensive interior design services and custom kitchen and furniture creation.

Johnson May Solicitors

www.johnsonmay.com

info@johnsonmay.com

Expert legal services in landlord & tenant, property, boundary, land and trust disputes, debt recovery, and general dispute resolution

Immaculate Clean Up

@Immaculate_clean_up

enquiries@immaculatecleanup.com

Specialise in domestic and Commercial Cleaning Services

And finally...We will also hold a **Children's Raffle** with **AMAZING** prizes to be won: -

1st Prize - £250 Smyths Toys voucher

2nd Prize - £100 Smyths Toys voucher

3rd Prize - Family Camping with Popup Campsites

4th Prize - Two tickets for a Crystal Palace Match next season in a category B or C game.

One book of raffle tickets (5 raffle tickets) will be sent home in your child/ren's bag in the week we return to school after the half term. To enter the raffle costs £1 per ticket. Additional tickets to purchase will be available during the Summer Fair on the PTA stall!

We are very grateful to those parents who have already signed up to volunteer their time on one of our many fantastic stalls.

If you haven't already volunteered on your year groups signup sheet, please consider doing so as it is a wonderful way to support our school and have plenty of fun in the process!

OTHER NEWS

PTA Lottery

The third draw will be held in the week before the summer holidays.

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

The more people that join...the higher the prizes! **Joining fee is £25 per number.**

PTA Meeting

June 2024 - Date TBC

The next PTA meeting will be held in the studio at 6.30pm.

Everyone is welcome to join the meeting so come along to be informed about fundraising events, initiatives and share your own ideas. The agenda will be sent out via email in due course.

Roles and Responsibilities

We are still looking for someone to take on the responsibility of the School Calendar and Pre-loved Uniform. If you have the time and skills to fulfil these roles, please contact Donna Mentesh.

QUICK AND EASY WAYS TO HELP US FUNDRAISE

There are many ways to support our school PTA and even **schemes that don't** have any additional personal cost to you, such as:-

-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

- <u>Matched Funding</u> 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, 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!

- Stickins clothing labels

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 and quote our reference number 35724, under the 'school Fundraising number' field, our PTA will receive a 30% commission.