### FRIENDS OF ST THOMAS MORE RC PRIMARY SCHOOL



## BACK TO SCHOOL WITH A BANG!

Hello and welcome to our first newsletter of the new school year! You may have spotted we're starting afresh by swapping the old 'PTA' with a brand new name – Friends of St Thomas More RC Primary School.

This is to better reflect our purpose, which is to fundraise as much money as possible for the school to help give our children the best experience of primary school life.

We also wanted to reflect that we're not just parents. We're grandparents, carers, extended family members, past pupils, teachers, school neighbours and local parishioners who come together throughout the school year to help organise and support fundraising events for the children – and the adults!

You'll know COVID-19 had a big impact over the last couple of years with our ability to do our usual fundraisers, but this year we're back in full planning mode and already have a jam-packed diary of events coming up between now and Christmas!

# COMING UP THIS AUTUMN

#### October

#### **COFFEE MORNING**

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Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 11.45am-1.30pm

St Thomas More RC Church Hall

Come and pop into the church hall for a brew and a bacon bap – or a slice of cake – bring your friends!

November

#### **LADIES NIGHT**

**26** 

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 7pm until late St Thomas More RC Church Hall

The infamous Ladies Night is back and the best night out in Alkrington!

December

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October

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the children

#### CHRISTMAS PARTIES

**FANCY DRESS PARTIES** 

St Thomas More RC Primary School

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October,

An evening of spooky fun, dancing and party games for

6.15pm-8.30pm

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December 12pm-4.30pm St Thomas More RC Church Hall

It's Christmas and we're going to party! Afternoon of festivities for the children

December

#### CHRISTMAS STORY TIMES

**12** 

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 5.30pm-7.45pm (TBC) St Thomas More RC Primary School

Cookies, a drink and a Christmas story – don't forget the PJs and slippers!

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A really easy way to support our fundraising is through our school Lottery.

Just pick a number between 1-59 and pay £1 per week by standing order. If your number matches the bonus ball drawn in the Saturday National Lottery, you win £30 – simple!

The lottery raises £1,500 per year for the school. With it being the start of the new school year, we have some numbers available. If you want to join, contact Kim Ormsby on 07500 844 211.

#### Latest winners:

23 <sup>rd</sup> July:	Donna Jones	(26)	27 <sup>th</sup> August:	Nick O'Tool	(19)
30 <sup>th</sup> July:	Laura Stafford	(12)	3 <sup>rd</sup> September:	Claire Guilfoyle	(6)
6 <sup>th</sup> August:	Michelle Corlett	(20)	10 <sup>th</sup> September:	Andrea Drury	(9)
13 <sup>th</sup> August	: Kelly Mitchell	(59)	17 <sup>th</sup> September:	Kim Ormsby	(15)
20th August	: Michael Ormsby	(38)	24 <sup>th</sup> September:	Rachel McDermott	(51)



Everyone is automatically part of the Friends of STM and you can help out however and whenever you want with no formal 'signing up'. But, if you do want to play a more active role in arranging our upcoming fundraisers, let us know.



Email: <a href="mailto:stmschoolpta@gmail.com">stmschoolpta@gmail.com</a>

#### SHOP ONLINE TO RAISE EXTRA £££

If you enjoy shopping online, why not try easyfundraising.org.uk and raise money for St Thomas More school at the same time? easyfundraising has partnerships with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend on their website to us without costing you any extra. Even just signing up gets us a £5 donation!

