

PTA Newsletter July 2016

Can you believe it is the end of the school year already?!

... And what a fantastic year of fund-raising it has been.

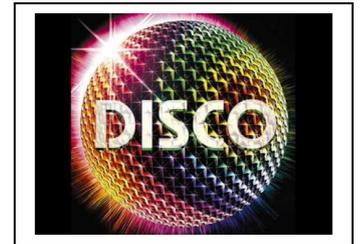


First of all we would just like to say a massive thank you to all the parents, carers, grandparents, teachers and governors of the school. Whether it be through donating items, volunteering your time, running a stall, supplying cakes or attending an event, you have helped to make this a fantastically successful year of fundraising and have provided not only new equipment for the school but have helped to fund so many different amazing experiences for all the children throughout the school. We really couldn't do it without your help, so THANK YOU all!

We would also like to thank all the class reps for this year. They have formed an important part of the PTA committee and have helped considerably, liaising with parents, organising volunteers and keeping our events running.

Thank you also to...

Valentine Disco - Grainne Walker and her team of helpers for a fantastic Valentine Disco. This was a lovely event for the children and in the process also raised £114.



Quiz Night - To Karen and James Trusler for a truly fun and enjoyable quiz night.

Well done to the winning Ladybird team who we hope will be back to defend their title again next year. As for the PTA table... we were clearly too busy organising 'stuff' to be too competitive!! ;)

Summer Fair - To our superb Summer Fair team, Sarah Newell, Emma Berkshire and Chrissie Purdy (and obviously their other halves!) for putting on a fantastic event. I'm sure you will agree it was a beautiful fair with a lovely theme. Cream teas, cakes, BBQ, prosecco and decent weather – a recipe for success that raised a record breaking £5400 they can all be very proud of!

Thanks also go to Richard and Kersti Meyer for their help with the set up, BBQ and all the equipment donated and to Rick and Sarah Basnett for their very kind donation of a BBQ to the PTA.

We would also like to thank Move Revolution for their generous sponsorship, running the cake competition, craft stall and their fantastic flyers and posters. It is so lovely to have their support and that of the local community too.

Many thanks to Oven Fresh Bakery, The Vineking, Blue Cow, SCL, and Poolschools for their continued support.



Cake Sales – Thanks go to Hayley Ross for organising these sales which raised a fantastic £300, £100 of which we donated to Sports Relief.

2nd Hand Uniform - Thank you to Ali Baldock and Chrissie Purdy both for their time organising, washing and sorting the 2nd hand uniform sales and raising over £100.

Face Painting - Thanks to Ashley Duivestain for continuing to organise and train up our lovely face painting volunteers. This is always so popular at all events, your efforts are much appreciated.

Scholastic - Thank you to Lisa Gerrish who has coordinated our scholastic sales, which continues to add to our PTA totals throughout the year.

How we are spending the PTA money.

We are proud to say we have fulfilled all of Mrs Davis 'Wish list' items for the year, the final one being the Baroque to Rock workshop for the children last week. (Hopefully you will have heard all about this from your little ones)

We have already begun to look ahead to next term. In September we will be again renewing the school membership to Espresso, the internet based learning programme used by all the children in the classrooms.

We have also already secured the booking of two performances of the pantomime for January 2017 which the children will be able to look forward to.

We look forward to seeing the new wish list for next year and using the fantastic funds raised to further support and excite the children of Reigate Parish Church Primary School.

Goodbye from the current PTA...

After a wonderful 2 years as Chair I will be leaving the role from September.

Lea Hamaker (secretary) and Catherine Miller-Bassi (Treasurer) are also hanging up their boots and we are therefore looking for a new team to take the PTA under their wing.

It is a great way to be involved in school life and see the huge benefit that the PTA can bring to the children of the school. Please do get in touch to find out more.

Volunteers, volunteers and more volunteers!

We are always looking for new ideas and teams to help with running our events. The roles can be so rewarding and needn't be daunting. It is great to join a team and make a difference.

We currently need teams for both our fireworks event and Christmas Fair. If you, or a lovely team of people, are interested in getting involved, we'd love to hear from you. Please email me for more details on sjbamh@aol.com



And finally, all that is left is for me to do is wish you all a wonderful and relaxing summer from the PTA committee!

Sarah Hyde, Chair of the PTA