



Bishop Road Primary School PTFA Newsletter - Spring 2024

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Welcome back, and happy new year! We hope you had a really lovely Christmas break.

Last term was an extremely busy one! As well as bringing together the school community and helping Bishop Road families have fun, **last term's PTFA activities raised a fantastic amount of £15,000.**

This has put us in a really strong position to be able to fulfil our base-level pledges to the school, which total £27,400 for 2023/24.

Amazing News!

Our participation as **one of 3 charitable causes in last year's Co-op Local Community Fund raised £2,730.54** for our playground development project! We received a 1p donation every time Co-op members who'd selected us as their cause spent £1 in store. **Thank you to everyone who helped to raise this fantastic amount!**



JANUARY SALE SHOPPING WITH easyfundraising

You can raise money for the Bishop Road PTFA, at no cost to you, when you shop online. All you need to do is:

- 1 Create an Easyfundraising account via www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bishoproadschoolptfa/
- 2 When you then shop online, **start off on the Easyfundraising app or website, and participating brands will make a donation to the PTFA** when you go on to make a purchase on their site.
- 3 **Even easier still, if you download a browser extension** ('donation reminder') to your device, **it'll pop up on every retailer site where a donation is available**, meaning you don't have to remember to go to the Easyfundraising app/website first!

WHAT'S ON THIS TERM

2nd February | Race Night – Join us at school from 7.30pm for an evening of (virtual!) horse racing with a fully-stocked bar. (This is an adults-only event.)

1st March | Years 2, 4 and 6 Discos – always a highlight of the school year for the children.

6th March | PTFA Meeting – 7.30pm, via Zoom. All welcome!

23rd March | Beginners Ball
Reception children will have their very own disco, which will be at school in the afternoon.

LOOKING AHEAD – SAVE THE DATES!

Quiz Night | Fri 26th April

Inflatables Day | Sat 18th May

PTFA Meeting | Tues 11th June

Summer Fair | Sat 15th June

**Year 6 Leavers Party |
Thurs 18th July**

DON'T FORGET!

You can donate any uniform to the PTFA (as long as it's in good, stain-free condition) as well as pick up some bargains on pre-loved uniform. Get in touch via BishopRoadUniform@gmail.com to find out more. **We urgently need purple tops, if anyone has any they can donate.**



AUTUMN FUNDRAISERS

Thank you to everyone who organised, helped out at, attended and/or supported a fundraiser last term.

Ice Creams (September/October)

Come rain or shine, the team (led by **Jodie Murray**) were on hand for Friday sales.

£603 raised

Second-hand Uniform (October)

Gill Self and Becky Kay ran a sale at the Reception parents/carers' welcome drinks.

£312 raised

Mystery Trail (October)

Lisa John devised the brilliant 'Curious Case of the Missing Teacher' which ran over October half term.

£304 raised

£1,440 raised

Years 1/3/5 Discos (October)

A brilliant evening full of fun, laughter and awesome dance moves. Thanks to the team, led by **Heather Absalom, Rachel Millar and Ellie Jones**.

Fireworks Extravaganza (November)

What a spectacle! Congratulations to the team, led by **Simon Bodley and Dan Cogan**.

£4,951 raised

Christmas Market (November)

The fantastic market team ensured a lovely start to the festive season.

£1,643 raised

£722 raised

Christmas Cards (December)

Many wonderful creations winged their way home in their designers' school bags. Thank you to **Jo Tomlinson** for organising.

£1,623 raised

Tea Towels (December)

Perfect stocking-fillers, featuring the kids' self-portraits. Led by **Sarah Kidd and Jess Gitsham**.

Christmas Cracker and Tree Sale (December)

The perfect event to finish with before Christmas. The Cracker team (led by **Ellie Hall and Jonathan Gunz**) ensured a wonderfully festive occasion which ran alongside our annual tree sale (organised by **Katrina and Ryan Brooks**).

£3,182 raised

Thank you...

...to the teams busily working on fundraisers happening this term:

Race Night – led by **Chris Brooker** | Years 2/4/6 Discos – led by **Heather Absalom, Rachel Millar and Ellie Jones** | Beginners Ball – led by **Annabelle Kiddey and Helen Dingle**, and to **Hilary Barnes** for creating this newsletter.



Your PTFA needs you!

Can you help us fill these roles?

- 1 CO-TREASURER** – no formal qualifications needed!
- 2 SUMMER FAIR LEAD(S)** – to shadow the current leads for the June 2024 fair, and take it on thereafter.
- 3 SECOND-HAND UNIFORM TEAM MEMBERS.**
- 4 CHRISTMAS MARKET LEAD(S)** – to either shadow at, or take over from, the November 2024 event.

To find out more, please contact BishopRoadPTFA@gmail.com