



Five Ways School

PTFA

Working for our school, our children

PTFA NEWSLETTER

Meetings that have taken place this half term

A meeting was held on January 17th, when the main topics discussed were as follows:

PTFA donation to school: Thank you to all the parents who returned the PTFA funding questionnaire. The two most popular items were ICT and playground equipment. The PTFA has therefore made a donation of **£9,000** to the school which will be used to support the purchase of these items, split equally. The PTFA would like to thank all parents and volunteers who helped at events last year and to all parents who supported events.

Please continue to support us!

Christmas Bingo: This was a sellout and a huge success, made extra special by a visit from Santa who gave each child a chocolate selection box. We would like to thank parents who donated chocolate which was used to make some fantastic prizes. Leftover loose chocolates were given to staff who handed them out to children on the last day of term and a chocolate hamper was donated to Our Lady of Lourdes Church, who kindly loaned us the bingo machine. **See below for details of our Easter-themed chocolate bingo event!**

Disney on Ice: A great response from parents to this event which is now SOLD OUT!

Fundraising events that have taken place this half term

Table Top Sale, February 2: This was our first table top sale and some great bargains were to be had. A big thank you to all those who turned up to sell their wares. Unfortunately, very few parents turned up to buy, but we are planning to arrange another one in the future and hope more people will turn out to support it.

Pamper and Shopping Evening, February 8: Another first for the PTFA. A great line-up of stalls, offering fantastic value mini-facials, manicures, Indian head massages, reflexology plus Avon and Body Shop products, candles, jewellery and cards. A big success.

Self-Portrait Shopper Bags: The children have enjoyed drawing their self-portraits to feature on these bags. The deadline for orders has been extended so don't miss out! Order forms are available from the school office.

Bag2School, February 13: Following feedback from parents, extra drop off points were agreed this week. Hopefully we'll beat the £110 raised at our September collection. Thanks for all your donations!

Yellow Moon catalogues were also issued.

Updates on money raised will follow.

PTFA website and noticeboard

Don't forget, all the latest news, information and details of forthcoming events and meetings are on our noticeboard near the entrance to the school office and also on the PTFA section of the school website: www.fiveways.staffs.sch.uk

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Diary Dates!

Book Fair

March 14th to 21st

Photos

March 15th

Non-uniform day

March 18th

Easter Bingo

March 22nd

Easter Egg Hunt

March 28th

Quiz Night

April 19th

Superhero Summer

Fayre

June 22nd

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Our cause is: Five Ways Primary School – Cannock

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Next Half Term -PTFA Dates for your Diary

DATE	EVENT	WHERE
February 22nd	Disney On Ice	LG Arena. SOLD OUT!
March 12th	PTFA Meeting	KS1 Staffroom
March 14th to 21st	Book Fair	TBC
March 15th	Class and group photographs	
March 18th	Non-uniform day	
March 22nd	Easter-themed chocolate bingo	KS1 Hall
March 28th	Easter Egg Hunt	School field
April 19th	Family Quiz Night	The Cons, Heath Hayes
June 22nd	Summer Fair	

Next event. . .

Easter-themed Chocolate Bingo: Eaten all your Christmas chocolate? Don't worry. . . we have another chocolate bingo night coming up, this time with an Easter theme. Monday, March 18th will be a non-uniform day and children will be asked to bring in a donation of either £1 or an Easter chocolate item which will form prizes. Prizes will include a Grand Easter Hamper and there will be a special visitor for the children. Admission is £1. The Christmas Chocolate Bingo event was a sellout so book your tickets early! Forms are available from the school office.

And get ready for . . . The Big Event!

Five Ways' Summer Fayre – Superhero theme!

This year's Fayre is on Saturday, June 22 and we desperately need volunteers. Please get in touch if you can:

- Man a stall
- Help with face-painting
- Donate a raffle or tombola prize
- Help with refreshment and hot dogs
- Help distribute posters around the community
- Help with setting up or clearing away



How Can You Help?

If you have a little time to spare, we would love to hear from you. Give as much or as little time as you can. It's really rewarding and the children love to see mum or dad involved. Dads and grandparents – we need you too! If you can't spare the time, please come along and support our events, **it all helps your school and your children**. Don't forget you can raise money by logging onto the easyfundraising website www.easyfundraising.org.uk

If you can help, or would like any more information, please email ptfa.secretary@googlemail.com, call into the school office or catch up with one of our members, including Nell Pursehouse (chairperson); Helen Phillips (vice chair); Angela Madge (secretary); Scott Saunders (treasurer) and Sarah Sprason (uniform co-ordinator).

Helen Pursehouse

Chairperson



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