



Supporting Our Children

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SMRP PTFA NEWS

Parents, teachers & friends working together to support
the St Mary Redcliffe Primary School community

Edition #4



DATES FOR THE DIARY

FRI 3rd MAR: **WORLD BOOK DAY**

TUES 7th MAR: **BEDTIME STORIES**

FRI 10th MAR: **YR 5 & 6 DISCO**

FRI 24th MAR: **EASTER
EGGSTRAVAGANZA**

SUN 14th MAY: **GREAT BRISTOL RUN**

FRI 23rd JUNE: **QUIZ EVENING**

FRI 14th JULY: **SUMMER FAIR**

Hello and welcome to our first PTFA newsletter of 2023.

We are excited to share our news, celebrate all the events and fundraising that has happened so far, and outline our fundraising goals and event plan for 2023. There's plenty of work going on in the background and if anyone wants to get involved or find out more about the ideas and projects we're working on please do get in contact or come to a meeting. We'd love to grow our PTFA committee, and as you know, we always need plenty of hands on the day.

We continue to work closely with Mr Fry and the Senior Leadership Team to ensure that our fundraising objectives are in line with the needs and expectations of children and staff. We are committed to provide experiences and learning enhancements for all our students and strive to engage with the whole school community to organise a range of fun fundraising events for all the family to enjoy. **With thanks from all of us on the PTFA Committee**

EVENT RECAPS

Disco – Early Years, Years 1&2 and Years 3&4 - thanks to everyone for attending these events. We love creating a fun environment for the kids to dance and socialise and we hope the craft, face painting and food and drink on offer is hitting the spot. A special thank you to the Year 6 helpers who did a wonderful job of face painting at the 3&4 disco. We raised £194, £389, and £224 respectively.

Cake Sale – thanks to all your fabulous cake donations we managed to raise £190 – another fantastic fundraising event. Thank you to everyone who donated and supported the event.

Quiz – another fun evening for the grownups, with plenty of laughs and creative competition. Congratulations to the winning team (Kaye & Neil Cousins, Katie Austin, Dan Hollington, Cat Proom) who won a Wiper & True Brewery Tour. With 8 teams, a fully stocked bar and delicious homemade bar snacks, we are very pleased to say we raised £546! Thanks to all the teams for their support on the night.

Winter Fair – we are extremely grateful for all of the donations, raffle prizes and volunteers that helped us to make this happen. We had a fantastic response to our shout out for more helpers and without you this event would not be possible. A special shout out to the musicians for their contribution and to the staff who came in to help on the day. The event raised £2,029.

We welcome any feedback to help us plan and manage our events 😊

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FUTURE EVENTS

Tuesday 7th March: Bedtime Stories – from 5pm there will be stories in classrooms with hot chocolate provided by the PTFA. A free book exchange, cakes and hot drinks will be available in the hall for parents/carers. Save your books and bring them in to donate/exchange on the night. Children are invited to come to school in PJs/Onesies. Please bring change for the café and a cup for kids' hot chocolate.

Friday 10th March: Disco Years 5&6 - 3.30 – 4.30pm please help by bringing in cakes and volunteering to help with set-up and running the event. We need four helpers please.

Friday 24th March: Easter Eggstravaganza - 3.30 – 4.30pm – nearer the time we will be asking for donations including cakes and bakes for the cake stall, easter eggs for the tombola and hamper items for our raffled hampers. Hamper items such as chocolates, toiletries, drinks or games that are new and unused. We also need volunteers to run games and stalls.

Sunday 14th May: Great Bristol Run – Thanks to all the runners who have signed up to run and raise funds for our PTFA. We have 25 family runners and 10x10K runners. We will share details of the crowdfunder page soon - so please watch this space for more info.

Friday 23rd June: Quiz Evening - 7-9.30pm - adults only, grab your team mates and join us for an evening of semi-serious quizzing! Fully stocked bar and homemade bar snacks available.

Friday 14th July: SMRP Summer Fair - 3.30 – 6pm – expect performances, interactive workshops and plenty of music and fun. As usual we will ask for donations of soft toys, games and jumble and toys for age 5+, books and knickknacks, cakes, raffle prizes, and lots of volunteers. We are looking for drumming groups, dancers, musicians and circus skills so please let us know if you have any local contacts.

Saturday 16th September: VPAG Summer Festival - 12-6pm – this is our first year taking a stall at the Victoria Park Summer Festival. We are planning to run a games area as well as a catering stall. We will need lots of volunteers to help plan and deliver this event so please let us know if you would like to get involved, or can help on the day.

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GOALS!

We meet regularly with the SLT to agree the fundraising goals. Our wish list currently includes:

- Sports and play equipment for the Year 6 Play Leaders
- RE resources
- History artefacts and resources
- Gardening project – improve the existing green spaces: bank at the front of school and planters in the playground
- Year 6 day trip

COMPETITION TIME

We would like to update our PTFA logo so we are calling out to all budding artists, graphic designers or illustrators, to design a fresh new logo!

Please submit your designs to the PTFA email address by Friday 31st March.

The winner will be announced after the Easter Holidays.

COMING SOON..... please save your blue Tesco tokens as we hope to be nominated for the Tesco Community Grant Project, Supported by Groundwork to be in with a chance of winning £1500 towards a regeneration project for our green spaces. The collection point will be at the Totterdown Tesco.

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PTFA FUNDED PROJECTS

2022-23

- Bookbarn build including interior fixtures and fittings and soft furnishings
- PA system and disco lights
- Art funding for Mrs Herbertson
- Year 3&4 play license and budget for costumes and props
- Gardening equipment including tools, bulbs and shrubs
- Early years story telling garden (part of larger DBAT outdoor area upgrade)
- December 2022 Panto
- Graphic Novels
- Library books on bereavement

DID YOU KNOW...?

...you can also support our school by setting up a **Standing Order donation**? No amount is too small.

If **100 people** set up a standing order of **20p a week** it would generate an extra **£1040 a year** for school projects! The PTFA is also a registered charity, so we can claim Gift Aid on any donations made – meaning even more money for our school! Please ask for a Gift Aid form from the school office if you can support in this way. The PTFA account details are:

St Mary Redcliffe Primary PTFA

HSBC Sort Code 40-14-13

Account Number 03887545

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