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PTA Newsletter



Swanland School
PTA
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

March 2018

Hello!

The PTA wishes to welcome Claire Beckett (a year 1 parent) onto the committee! February saw a quieter but still enjoyable PTA Social and our first fundraiser for Mother's Day.

We have a busy March ahead, with a PTA Meeting, Quiz Night, Nearly New Uniform Sales and an Easter Egg Hunt. We look forward to seeing you there!

Committee Members

CHAIR - Mr Huscroft (staff)
VICE-CHAIR - Miss Stephenson (staff)
SECRETARY - Monica Farr (yr 3 & yr 1)
TREASURER - Keeley Knaggs (yr 3 & reception)
MEMBERS - Sally Patrick (staff and yr 1 & 5)
 Caroline Graves (yr 6 & yr 4)
 Claire Beckett (yr 1)
 Claire Walmsley (yr 6 & reception)
 Dan Crook (yr 3)
 Fiona Brown (yr 6)
 Helen Smith (yr 1)
 Helene Hart (yr 3 & reception)
 Jessica Devine (yr 6 & yr 4)
 Laura Farmer (yr 1)
 Laura Miskin (yr 1)
 Linsey Wainman (yr 1)
 Linzy Settle (yr 3 & yr 2)
 Lynda Ferguson (yr 4 & yr 2)
 Matt Bradbury (yr 4)
 Neil Redman (yr 3)
 Sarah Baum (reception)
 Stuart Farmer (yr 1)
 Suzanne Welburn (yr 1)
 Tracy Lee (yr 2)
 Vicky Innes (yr 1 & reception)

Upcoming PTA Dates

March

13th - PTA Meeting
 16th - Quiz Night (adults only)
 20th & 22nd
 - Nearly New Uniform Sale
 22nd - Easter Egg Hunt

April

17th - Bag2School due in

May

11th - Family Bingo Night 7pm
 15th - PTA Meeting

June

12th - PTA Meeting
 14th - Swanland Has Talent 6.30pm

July

6th - Summer Fundraiser

Fundraising UPDATE!

Christmas Pin Badges £85.00
 PTA Social Mr Chu's £771.20
 Mother's Day Mug/Coasters £269.96

PTA Social – Mr Chu's:

Many thanks to Jimmy Chu for allowing us to host our PTA Social at Mr Chu's.

It was a smaller turnout than previous years but still a success.

We wish to thank the companies who donated prizes and to those of you who purchased raffle tickets for this fundraiser at Mr Chu's.

The prizes included:

BEAUTY & Co Voucher
CHRISTINE BRANT Wine
F G ADAMSON & SON Secateurs
HESSLE GOLF CLUB
 4 Ball & Golf Lesson
LOOKING4PARKING.COM Voucher
SWANBRIDGE VETS Wine
WILLIAM'S DEN Family Pass

CONGRATULATIONS to the winners!



Mother's Day Mug/Coasters:

Thanks to Linsey Wainman, Claire Beckett and Sarah Baum for organising our first Mother's Day Mugs/Coasters fundraiser.

The orders have arrived and been distributed via the children.

We hope you are happy your finished product.

PTA Meeting

Tuesday 13th March at 7pm

All members of the association - parents, carers and staff are invited to attend.

This is the time to discuss current and upcoming events including a review of the PTA Social at Mr Chu's.

Quiz

Quiz Night (adults only)

Friday 16th March at 7pm

After the success of the Race Night in the autumn term, the PTA will be holding an adult only quiz night at Swanland School on Friday 16th March 2018, 7pm til late.

The event will take place in the school hall with a fish and chip supper included in the **ticket price of £10** (tickets available from the School Office). Parents, friends and family are all welcome!

The quiz night will consist of a range of general knowledge, music and brainteaser questions. Buy your tickets and you can form your teams on the night with as many or as few people in your team as you wish. There will be prizes for the winning team!

We will have a bar on the night with reasonably priced drinks served by the PTA.

Additionally, a raffle is being organised with some amazing prizes. Raffle tickets will cost £1 each and will be available on the evening. (Should any parent, family member or organisation be able to donate a prize for the raffle, please contact a member of the PTA or the School Office).

Please come and support this excellent night with proceeds going towards funding for the children including educational workshops, tablets and many other great projects.

We have limited places so don't delay!

Nearly New Uniform Sale

Tuesday 20th March at 3pm-7pm

Thursday 22nd March at 3pm-7pm

As parents, we all know that no sooner have we bought new uniform than they've already outgrown it – and it still looks as good as new! That's why we will have a nearly new uniform stall at the Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings.

It's amazing how much we raise from this even though we just ask for a donation of £1 (barring coats).

Don't forget to pop in to the school hall before or after you see your teacher.

Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday 22nd March



The Easter Egg Hunt is a fundraiser that takes place just before Easter in the Spring Term.

All Pupils are given the opportunity to fill in an Easter Egg Hunt grid containing 9 squares. A member of their family or friends can buy each square for £1.

When the grid is filled, the children bring back their completed grid along with £9 and it is entered into a raffle.

There is a special number drawn out of the 9 numbers. Every grid will win an egg and the person that has chosen the winning number will receive their prize. In addition, there are 3 extra special prizes awarded randomly by raffle to only 3 grids.

This fundraiser is great fun for the children to participate in during the Easter festivities and last year it raised £600.

Goals for 2018

Does anybody have some ideas for 2018 that you think we could raise money for?

We are currently funding many items; class books, school trips, in house theatre productions, seesaw, and tablets but its nice to hear other thoughts.

Please get in touch
monicajwilliams@hotmail.com

ARE YOU A BUSINESS OWNER?

If so, this could be for you!

Can you or do you know of anyone who could support our children's learning and growth.

Some donate their merchandise or valuable services; others donate their expertise in a particular area.

We would be very grateful for any offers of help with our current school projects.

We are currently looking for:

- ❖ a painter to repaint games on the concrete playground in KS1.
- ❖ a builder to quote on a couple of construction jobs.
- ❖ Someone to cost/fit internal bi-fold doors (as part of a funding application)
- ❖ a glazier to fix/replace windows
- ❖ window blinds specialist to repair/replace the small hall blinds

CAN YOU HELP?

Please contact the school office.



16th March Quiz Night

If you think you could help with:

- **SET UP** - will take place after school around 3.30pm
- **BAR** - will need manning throughout the evening 6.45pm until late. Even just 30 mins would help.
- **RAFFLE TICKETS** – selling during the evening
- **CLEAN UP** - wont take long with lots of helping hands

then please contact:

monicajwilliams@hotmail.com

20th & 22nd March Nearly New Uniform Sale

If you can help for any length of time between 3pm-7pm, then please contact:
mail@suzannewelburn.co.uk

The more helpers, the less time needed from you.

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NEWS

NAIROBI Nearly New Uniform



The PTA has provided Richard Swain with some nearly new uniform to take to the children in Nairobi, Kenya.



<http://www.swanlandschoolnairobi.org/>

ANY DONATIONS OF GOOD QUALITY UNIFORM TO REPLENISH OUR STOCK WOULD BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.



Swanland School PTA

We have a 'closed' group on Facebook which means that anyone can find the group and see who's in it but only members can see the posts.

You must request to join it and PTA admin has to 'accept' your request. This way we can ensure that **only people linked to our school can become members.**

This Facebook group is to help build community among Swanland School PTA and parents. By joining this online group, it will give you an immediate connection to the PTA allowing you to pass on ideas to support our school, offer your time or services to the PTA, share ideas, view upcoming events etc.

Please find us on Facebook and press 'Join Group'.

Match Funding

We want to take this opportunity to inform you about the Match Funding scheme and how a little bit of your time could raise double the funds for the PTA.

If you work for an organisation that has a match funding policy, any money you raise could be matched by your employer. Companies may match the fundraising total for an event, or for the stall that their employee is working on.

We understand that the high street banks, building societies, supermarkets and large corporations are likely to do match funding, but these schemes are not exclusive to the major corporate giants. If you work for an independent company, they may be interested in charitable giving through match funding too.

We would be grateful if you could see if your employer has a match funding scheme, or if they are willing to match fund any of our events.

If you can help us this way, please let our PTA Secretary monicajwilliams@hotmail.com know and we can discuss your company's requirements.

Thank you for your support.

Miscellaneous Dates

1 March
St David's Day



11 March
Mothering Sunday



17 March
St Patrick's Day



25 March
Daylight Saving



30 March
Good Friday



Make purchases while raising money for Swanland School



**Co-Op
North Ferriby!**

PLEASE NOMINATE SWANLAND AS YOUR CHOSEN CAUSE!

The funding period has started and lasts until October 2018.

We, along with 2 other local causes, will receive a share of the funds raised from carrier bag sales and also a share of the members fund.

Please choose our school as your chosen cause otherwise the money is equally split between the 3 charities.

Please make sure you have a Co-Op membership card, use it every time you shop there and the school receive 1% of your spend.

As per one committee member said – "it feels like guilt free shopping!!"



Micro Scooters
www.micro-scooters.co.uk

Scooter Aid

Is a scheme run by Micro Scooters they donate revamped, old, or unwanted scooters to groups that could benefit from them.

We were very lucky to receive 5 new scooters for the reception playground at the beginning of term. We would like to thank the staff from Micro Scooter for choosing our school and making our children extremely happy.

Looking to buy a Scooter? Tel: 0333 320 1030

If you buy a Micro Scooter, **they will give Swanland School 10%** from any purchases. Our unique code is 137151 please insert this on checkout.



The Giving Machine
www.thegivingmachine.co.uk

This is a great way for us to fundraise. It's so easy and it costs you nothing! All you have to do is register at the givingmachine.co.uk website under 'Swanland Primary School', then just shop online as normal.

With over 790 shops to choose from, including your weekly groceries, holidays and everything in between, it's a fantastic opportunity to do something great for our children.

Link to your favourite stores via the Giving Machine website – Sainsburys, Tesco, Ebay, Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, Waitrose, Argos, Next, Boots, Debenhams, Asos, Holland & Barratt, Virgin Holidays, Thomas Cook, Butlins, Holiday Extras, Premier Inn, Apple Store, Nintendo, Sports Direct, Jessops, Joules, London Zoo, Ugg Australia, Hobbycraft, Co-op Insurance, Dell, Radisson Hotels, Madame Tussauds, EasyJet, GAP, Toys R Us, ELC, Mothercare, iTunes, Staples, Disney Land Resort.....and hundreds more!!!!



Stamptastic

The replacement for traditional name tags and raise money for the PTA with every order.

No more sewing or ironing on labels, no more losing your pencil case or P.E. kit! Stamptastic offer a personalised stamp based naming solution that can be used on fabric, metal, wood & some plastics. A parent found Stamptastic online and passed the information to the PTA as any order placed will result in a percentage being paid back to the PTA funds.

Please have a look on their website at <http://www.stamptastic.co.uk/> and if you would like to make an order quote "HU14 3NE" in the "PTA school/club cashback code" box when completing your order.

JOIN THE PTA

We encourage as many parents as possible to get in touch and get involved. You may wish to join the PTA committee or, if you feel you don't have time for that, you can become one of our volunteers.

Without wonderful parent volunteers like you, our events wouldn't be possible

We need at least one or two YEAR 5 parents to join us.

DONATIONS

Donations are voluntary.

We give the option for you to donate to the PTA. We suggest one annual donation of £25 per family. Others may choose to give a small amount monthly. Ask for a Standing Order form if you are interested and please include Gift Aid if you are a tax payer.

~ THANK YOU ~

Thank you to the families that have already kindly donated.

For any information or interest in the PTA, please contact our PTA secretary

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