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PTA Newsletter



Swanland School
PTA
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

November 2018

Hello!

We had a busy October as you will see in our update.

Our first Fashion Show was a great success and it made our day to see the amount of creative and Spooktacular entries in the pumpkin contest.

We have a jam-packed November ahead and are busy making sure the Christmas Fayre turns out even better than the last one. Hope to see you there!

We wish to say a big welcome to **HEIDI HENRICKSON** for stepping up to be a Class Rep for **RCM**.

PTA Dates for NOVEMBER

- 4th Christmas Card Orders
- 7th Nearly New Uniform Sale
- 14th Bag2School collection
- 16th PTA Funded "CINDERELLA"
- 19th PTA Meeting
- 23rd Chocolate Tombola/Fill a Jar donation for Non-uniform day
- 24th Christmas Fayre

Fundraising UPDATE!

Fashion Show	£1150.00
Pumpkin	
Guess the Weight	£69.00
CO-OP (estimate so far)	£2995.53



Fashion Show with Boutique Milla

The hall was transformed and those who bought tickets saw gorgeous casual and stunning evening outfits on the catwalk.

The models looked beautiful with hair by Alexander Hair & Beauty in Anlaby and make up by Glam it Up Spa in Hessele.

The stalls included Boutique Milla, Little You Kids Boutique, Temple Spa (Jemma Jackson), The Aloe Vera Company, Glam it Up Spa and Darcey's Home Fragrance.

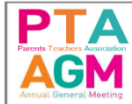
Thanks to everyone who helped with this event - Monica, Keeley and Hannah for organising it, to all the helpers that came down in the afternoon to set up the hall and to Matt, Tracy and Sarah for managing the bar and keeping the Prosecco flowing!

Make sure you pop down to Boutique Milla at 50 Main Street in Swanland and take a look at the lovely clothes, accessories and footwear on offer.



See more pictures on the PTA Facebook group.

PTA Annual General Meeting



The AGM was successful with 19 people attending including a couple of new faces.

It covered reports from the Treasurer and the Secretary as well as the Election of Officers.

Brilliant achievements, busiest year so far, healthy bank balance, lots of forthcoming plans, events and ideas on what to spend the money on.

Please see report [on page 4](#).

Pumpkin Carving Contest and Guess the Weight



Well done to everyone who took the time to make their pumpkins look so fantastic and thank you to Linzy, Rachel, Helen and Lynda for organising and running the event.

We had over 120 amazing creative Spooktacular entries making judging very hard.

Huge thanks to [Mrs Kemp and Mr Collinson](#) for taking on the judging role this year.

The results were:

CARVING CONTEST

KS1 Humorous 1JS/EJ

KS1 Original 2JP

KS2 Humorous 4KC

KS2 Original 4MR

Most class entries 1JS/EJ

GUESS THE WEIGHT

Actual weight 15.3 kilo

2JP with a guess of 15.5!

Most class guesses 6AN

Thank you [Helen McClane](#) for donating the pumpkin.

Certificates and prizes were awarded in an assembly.



See more pictures on the PTA Facebook group.

THIS MONTH:



Christmas Card Orders Sunday 4th November

As in previous years, the PTA has organised for your child's artwork to be printed onto Christmas cards and/or gift labels.

The deadline for ordering has now passed so unfortunately for those of you placing late orders, you will incur an additional charge of £4.50.

If you wish to purchase any Christmas products from Cauliflower Cards you should:

1. place your order online at: <https://xmas.cauliflowergroup.co.uk>
2. return your child's design to school as soon as possible.



Nearly New Uniform Sale Wednesday 7th November

2.30pm-4.30pm & 5.15pm-7.15pm

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 Parents/Carers open day.

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.



Bag2School Collection

Wednesday 14th November

www.bags2school.com

You should have received your bag by now. We encourage you to clear out your wardrobes and fill your bag up with all your unwanted clothes, handbags, shoes, soft toys, linen etc.

We then receive funds depending on the weight of everything we collect. So simple – and a great way to help declutter!

Easy to drop off:

We will accept bags at the office on the afternoon before (Tuesday 13 November) up until 5.30pm.

Or Wednesday 14 November

- bring your bags to the office before 9am.
- use the curbside bag drop alongside the usual child drop-off location (weather permitting).



CINDERELLA

Friday 16th November

The PTA are funding a performance of 'Cinderella' for the whole school. M&M Theatrical Productions will bring the magic of theatre to the school.



PTA Meeting Tuesday 19th November

Come join us!

All members of the association - parents, carers and staff are invited to attend. This is the time to discuss current and upcoming events.



Chocolate Tombola/ Fill a Jar Donations Friday 23rd November

Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a donation towards the PTA Christmas Fayre.

CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA PRIZES – eg chocolates bars, boxes etc – in fact, anything chocolate!

FILL-A-JAR – fill a clean jar with cheap, brightly-coloured novelties, which will be sold on a stall during the event. Please would you WRAP the jars. We will be selling the jars to the children – a wrapped jar adds a little risk and excitement to the purchase!



Christmas Fayre Saturday 24th November

Please see Poster [on page 5](#), courtesy of Dan Crook!

UPCOMING DATES:

December

19th Carol Singing Refreshments

January

18th Winter Disco

21st PTA Meeting

February

8th Race Night

tbc Mother's Day Mugs/Coasters

March

14th Bag2School collection

18th PTA Meeting

April

tbc Easter Egg Giveaway

tbc Family Bingo

May

tbc Father's Day Mugs/Coasters

tbc Spring Walk Refreshments

June

10th PTA Meeting

12th Bag2School collection

tbc Swanland Has Talent

tbc Sports Days Refreshments

July

tbc Summer Fayre



Our next big event is the Christmas Fayre. We still have some 30 minute slots to fill, so please take a look at the sign up below.

Sign Up Genius is our sign up aid.
Group organising made easy.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

If you can help at any of the above, please click on this link:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080A4BAAA82AA7Fdo-ptachristmas2

The more helpers, the less time needed from you.



We are asking parents to help us gather RAFFLE PRIZES for the PTA Christmas Fayre in November.

Contributions big and small are needed. Anything you can offer for the raffle will be gratefully received.

Please contact your Class Rep or email monicajwilliams@hotmail.com, the PTA secretary.
Thank you in advance

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:

- ❖ quotes for some pruning of trees
- ❖ yoga mats
- ❖ giant outdoor games
- ❖ Lego

CAN YOU HELP?

Please contact the school office

Goals for 2018-2019

Does anybody have some ideas for 2018-2019 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.

Does anyone have any **Fun Ideas** to use the PTA money for this year?

Such as giving the children some memorable experiences like the African Dance/Indian workshops.

Please get in touch
monicajwilliams@hotmail.com

COSTUME CLOSET

The catalogue is ready and the Costume Closet is open for orders.

Please click on the link to look at what we have on offer:



Costume Closet.pdf

We currently are looking for **Donations:**

- [Nativity costumes](#) to fit Reception children
- [WW2 costumes](#) for Year 5 as they have an Evacuee day every year where the children dress as a child from WW2.

Please keep donating good quality costumes.

Note: it is really helpful if you can mark the item with the year and which play or theme it was used for.



Swanland School PTA

We have created a group on Facebook, **currently we have 154 members!**

It is a **'closed' group**, which means that anyone can find the group and see who's in it but only members can see the posts.

You have to 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.**

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

NEWS

Co-Op



From the Co-Op:

*We're also delighted to tell you that Swanland Primary School PTA has raised a total of **£2,995.53** from the Local Community Fund. We'll contact you next week with full details of your final payment.*

This is a fantastic amount with possibly more to come. Thank you to everyone who chose Swanland School as their Co-op cause.



LOVE TO TRAVEL??

As a school we have joined forces with one of our Year 5 mums, Kelly Cheesman, who has a travel business and has kindly offered to be our latest affiliation scheme, much like Amazon and the Co-op local scheme.

As part of the Hays Travel Independence group, Kelly 'The Sassy Explorer' isn't just an ordinary travel agent and has access to over 450 suppliers, including trade only suppliers, the best buying power in the industry for customers, and can provide anything from a simple Thomas Cook package holiday, to a bespoke Australian, American, Far East itinerary for you and your family and friends.

Please do give her a call before you book your next holiday as the school and children will benefit from payments made from these suppliers for each holiday booked.

Kelly.Cheesman@notjusttravel.com

Booking & Enquiries: 07714 979316

www.notjusttravel.com/sassy

Miscellaneous Dates

- 5 Nov - Guy Fawkes Night
- 11 Nov - Remembrance Sunday
- 30 Nov - St Andrew Day

PTA AGM- Tuesday 16th October

What we achieved and funded 2017-2018:

Busiest year yet!

Lighting system

Social Media (Thanks to Linzy, newsletter, facebook and twitter)

30 Tablets

Painting playground games, sports equipment, reception sandbox repairs

Seesaw

Partial funding to the Year 4 London Trip

Book Brain trophies

Brainwave Stickers

Maths Workshop

Indian Workshop

Year 1 Paint Rack, KS1 Royal Wedding Contribution

JTC – bike and road safety

Class books 2,3,4,5, (March)

Year 6 books (recent), Year 6 photo booth

Year 6 SAT English and Math revision aids

Book tokens, Lego Education Kits, Glove boxes

What we plan to raise money for 2018-2019

Laptops (15)

Microphone system (trial at Christmas first)

African Dance Company

Each class entitled to £250 including resource money

How we raise our money

Fashion Show	Bags 2 School	Costume Closet
Christmas Card Order	Christmas Fayre	Christmas Pins
Race Night	Children's Winter Disco	Halloween Guess the Pumpkin Weight
Supermarket Funds	Family Bingo	Easter Egg Giveaway
Mothers Day Gifts	Fathers Day gifts	Sports Day Refreshments
Christmas Carol Refreshments	Spring Walk Refreshments	Swanland Has Talent
Nearly New Uniform	Summer Fayre	Amazon Smile
Micro Scooters	Stamptastic	The Giving Machine
Mr. Chu's Celebration	Tuck Shop/ice lollies	Annual Fmaily donations/standing order
Match Funding	Kids Pass	Quiz Night



Swanland School PTA

CHRISTMAS FAYRE



Everyone Welcome!

Sat 24th Nov

at Swanland School 10am til 2pm

Come and join us for festive cheer, gifts and fundraising
Enjoy hot food, drinks & cake while the choir singing Christmas carols!

Lots of stalls offering unique gifts for Christmas!

Santa's Grotto / Cake Stall / Hot Food
Jewellery / Chocolate Tombola / Sand Art
Christmas Wreaths ...and much more!

How YOU can help raise money for Swanland School

VACANCY FOR THE NEXT SUPERMARKET FUNDING



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.

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.

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 "Gift card, PTA code, or discount code" box in the payment section when completing your order.

amazon.com.

Amazon Smile

We have been asked if there is an app for Amazon Smile. We couldn't find an actual app so our work around is when on your Amazon smile page, click the icon at the top (box with an arrow pointing up) and click "add to home screen". This seems to do the job. Hope this helps....

MAKE YOUR AMAZON PURCHASES WHILE RAISING MONEY FOR SWANLAND SCHOOL PTA!

Register on Amazon Smile; pick Swanland School as your charity and they will donate 0.5% of every purchase to our school! It doesn't seem like much, but it adds up very quickly. Just visit the link below to get started.

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.

SMILE.AMAZON.CO.UK

Support Swanland County Primary School Parent Teachers Association by shopping at smile.amazon.co.uk.

When you shop at smile.amazon.co.uk, Amazon will donate to Swanland County Primary School...

The Giving Machine



www.thegivingmachine.co.uk

This a great way for us to fundraise. It's so easy and it costs you nothing!

- You join for free and choose up to four causes to support.
- You generate commissions by shopping online (over 1,500 retailers including Amazon, Play.com, John Lewis, eBay, Sainsbury's and Next).
- The Giving Machine will convert your commissions into donations for your chosen causes. You're raising funds for free!

Every time you shop online, you generate a donation for Swanland Primary School.

Link to your favourite stores via the Giving Machine website and with so many 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.

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.



Kids Pass

Kids Pass is a family membership that gives you access to over 3,500 offers and discounts at UK venues including theme parks, cinemas, restaurants and many more plus discounts for family holidays.

- Save up to 57% off at thousands of family days out, including Theme Parks, Bowling, Play Centres and many more
- Up to 40% off at cinemas nationwide, including adult and child tickets, 7 days a week
- Enjoy Kids Eat Free at thousands of restaurants nationwide
- Massive savings on UK family breaks

To start saving money for all the family, please use the link below and pay just £1 for 30 days then £34.99 per year.

<https://www.kidspass.co.uk/signup/p-kprs-swanlandprimaryschool-1pdann-60-2547163>

Our school will receive £5 for each member that converts onto an annual membership.

2018-2019

PTA COMMITTEE:



CHAIR:
HANNAH STEPHENSON

VICE CHAIR:
**CHRIS HUSCROFT
& SALLY PATRICK**



SECRETARY:
MONICA FARR
monicajwilliams@hotmail.com

TREASURER:
**KEELEY KNAGGS
(& HELEN MCCLANE)**



PTA CLASS REPS:

RCM	Stuart & Laura Farmer	Laura Miskin	Suzanne Welburn	Heidi Henrickson	Tracy Lee
RHM	Linsey Wainman				
1RP	Claire Walmsley	Helene Hart			
1JS/EJ	Sarah Baum				
2JP	Claire Beckett	Helen Smith	Linsey Wainman		
2EE/ND	Stuart & Laura Farmer	Laura Miskin	Suzanne Welburn	Helen McClane	
3SP	Linzy Settle	Lynda Ferguson			
3GW	Tracy Lee				
4KC	Linzy Settle				
4MR	Dan Crook	Helene Hart	Neil Redman		
5DR	Matt Bradbury	Jessica Devine	Caroline Graves		
5RC	Lynda Ferguson	Kelly Cheesman			
6AN	Emma Gleadow				
6KG	Kirstin Ellis				

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

CLASS REPS

We can have more than 1 rep, so if you are interested in being a "go to person" for your class, please contact

monicajwilliams@hotmail.com

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

monicajwilliams@hotmail.com



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