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Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Newsletter Earlsdon Primary School

Hello and a belated Happy New Year to you all! The PTA had a busy autumn term with many great things taking place. We have already got lots of new and exciting events planned for the coming months.

In this newsletter we would like to celebrate the success of last term's fundraising, let you know how the school is hoping to use the money, as well as give you some dates for your diary.

Events and fundraising activities update

Cake Sale

The cake sales which took place last term raised a fantastic £300. A big thank you to everyone who baked cakes and helped organise the sales.

Used Uniform Sales

Sales of second hand uniform raised £174 last term. Sales of uniform is co-ordinated by Tracey Lenehan. If you need any items of uniform in a specific size or colour, please leave a note in the school office and Tracey will get in touch with you directly. Also, if you have any good quality uniform to donate, please give it in to the office and Tracey will collect it. It would help if you can say whether the items have already been washed or not.

Festive Fair

The Festive Fair was a new event to the PTA calendar which raised £383. It was extremely well attended and was a very enjoyable evening.

Quiz Night

In November the PTA ran a quiz night at St Barbara's church hall. It was great to see so many parents, teachers and members of the Earlsdon community entering teams. £400 was raised and everyone had a fantastic time.

Tea towels - Reception & Year one

Despite the snow, the Earlsdon tea towels were delivered in time for Christmas and raised £173 for PTA funds.

Spending PTA funds

The school would like to use some of the PTA fundraising to purchase new equipment for the playground. It was strongly felt that the children should have their say about what they would like so a meeting is taking place on Friday 11th February between members of the PTA and the school council.

Film Night for Reception and KS1 - James and the Giant Peach

A film night was held this week for Reception and Key Stage One children and their parents in the downstairs hall. Any ideas for forthcoming films welcomed. The PTA is particularly keen to support and show children's own film work too - so any budding film makers do get in touch!

Dates for Your Diaries

KS2 Valentine Disco

On **Tuesday 15 February 6.30pm to 8pm** we are organising a Valentine Disco for KS2 children. Tickets are now on sale at £2.00 each. We also need some parent helpers to give us a hand on the night. Please fill in the form if you can help. Fliers were sent out in the Friday envelopes and via Parentmail.

Cake and Second Hand Uniform Sale

Take the opportunity to stock up on uniform and treat yourselves to some delicious cakes on **Friday 11 February** and **Friday 1 April**. Please bring in donations of home made or shop-bought cakes to the school office before 2pm on the day of the sale.

Spring Fair

Keep the date free - we are starting to plan for our annual main fundraising event on **Saturday 21 May**. If you have any ideas, ways you can help or unwanted prizes that we can use - do get in touch.

Want to get involved in the PTA?

We're always happy to hear from new volunteers. Please leave a message at the school office or fill in the PTA flyer in the reception area so we know how you would like to get involved. You can also keep an eye on the PTA noticeboard for regular updates or, come along to the next meeting.

Want to find out more or have any questions, contact:
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The next PTA meeting will be held at the Royal Oak pub on Tuesday 8 February at 7pm. Everyone is welcome and it would be fantastic to see some new faces.