# Barnby & North Cove Primary School PTA Newsletter

Hello and a warm welcome everybody to the Barnby & North Cove Primary School PTA end of autumn half term newsletter.

# Gardens & Playground

Thank you to Tina & Peter Bunn for the generous donation of lavender. This will smell amazing in the gardens and was a very kind thought from outside of our school community.

We are still looking for gardening volunteers to establish a long running regular gardening group. If anyone would like to be involved please contact the pta via our email. Thank you to the group of parents who painted the pirate ship and small pirate boat in nursery. It looks amazing and like new! We hope to be able to carry on with another part of the painting project next term (weather permitting).





We are hoping to be able to update you with a plan for the proposed play equipment shortly. The children have been busy choosing pieces of play equipment with pupil Parliament and Mrs Sharman and we are waiting for the next stage. Once we have a plan of what pieces we will be saving for, we will share this with you.

We will be contacting as many local businesses as possible to see if we can source some extra funding for the chosen items. If anyone knows of anyone who may want to match fund any of our events, this would be great and go a long way to helping as well as promoting a local business at the chosen event. Please contact us if you have any ideas.

# Pre Loved Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated items to and attended the pre loved sale. It was a very popular event as always and great to be offering uniform, clothes, toys and other items for such cheap prices. We hope everyone found something they wanted or needed and will come again. We hope to be able to do this again in the warmer months, outside and will keep you informed about the date. We made an amazing £109.40. This goes towards the ongoing outdoor play equipment project.

# **Guess The Weight of The Pumpkin**

Thank you to Clare & Ollie Beatwell for the donation of a pumpkin for our competition. Thank you also to Geoff from Pathways Farm, Lowestoft for donating our other competition pumpkins. Without these generous donations we wouldn't have been able to have our competition. It has been wonderful to see everyone enjoying lifting and guessing the weight of the largest pumpkin.





The weight of the largest pumpkin was 15.5kg. We converted the weights and the winners with the top 3 closest guesses, (winning a pumpkin & a hamper each) were; Reuben 1st prize Oscar 2nd prize Kacey 3rd prize Well done and thank you to everyone who entered. We raised £45 from the competition, also going towards the play equipment.

# **Bedtime Story Event**

Thank you to all who supported our first Bedtime Story Event. What an amazing turn out. The rooms were transformed into magical themes to fit the book choices. Thank you to Miss Danks, Mrs Bramwell, Mr. Huxtable. Michelle Cator and Alex Laybourne for the wonderful story telling. Everyone got a chance to change rooms if they wanted. Some were so captivated, they stayed in one room, while others chose to try different stories and themes. The atmosphere was incredible.









Everyone then enjoyed a hot chocolate and cookie along with so many delicious homemade treats. The excitement and enjoyment around the refreshments filled the hall with laughter, chatter and contentment. Thank you to everyone who helped serve food and drink, wash up, tidy up, help the children. It was lovely to see so many people talking and smiling and enjoying being together again.









Thank you to Emma Youngman and Jemma Smith for making so much hot chocolate. This was not an easy feat for so many people. Well done. Thank you to Lizzie Pearse, Pauline Bennett, Emma Youngman, Jemma Smith & Sharon Remblance for the delicious homemade themed cakes and treats. We raised approximately £100 from selling these alone. This is incredible and they were delicious.

We managed to sell the last of the cakes on the last day of term, adding to our balance. None of this would have been possible for the evening to go ahead without the support of the parent volunteers who came forward in abundance this term. We have been overwhelmed by the amount of people volunteering to support the school through the pta.

Thank you to everyone who helped work the evening by time keeping, supporting the rooms, signing people in & out, helping set up, take down and reset rooms.

Thank you to the amazing craft group for all the beautiful and well planned and thoughtful props and decorations, loan of items & time and care that went into making all these amazing creations. Without these this event would not have had the same atmosphere, it really did make. Great team work.

























We made an amazing profit of £226.34 from this event, all of which will go towards the ongoing outdoor play equipment project. Thank you everyone. What an amazing start to the term and towards the future purchase of a large piece of play equipment for the children.

## **School Lottery**

Congratulations to the following winners; Jenny Davies for September with ball number 3, winning £13.00

Louise Borley for October with ball number 11, winning £13.00





For anyone entering during November each ball will cost £10, entering you into every monthly draw (£1 per month, paid in advance) until August, with a chance to win every month. Good luck to those who enter. Anyone wishing to enter please contact the pta via our email and we will allocate you your numbers. You can also pay by bacs and have as many entries as you like. We look forward to handing out some prizes for the next academic year.

#### **Christmas Term Events**

In line with the latest letter (prior to half term) from Consortium CEO Andrew Alders-Dunthorpe, we will sadly be postponing our Christmas fair that we had planned for this year.

We will do our best to make alternative, remote events available to still provide as much festive fun & fundraising opportunities as we can. We will keep you posted as soon as we know what we are able to do so please keep an eye out for our posters, school emails & messages on arbor.

We hope to run a festive themed raffle with a top cash prize along with other amazing prizes. As our main fund raising event this term, we hope this will be popular as we are always blessed with so many amazing prizes from our generous community. If anyone knows of a business that would like to donate a prize for this, or would like to donate a prize

themselves, please contact the pta. We would be very grateful.

# **Easy Fundraising**

This is a great way for the pta to raise money. It is free to register and use and every time you shop, the retailer makes a donation to us. If you refer a friend, we get a £5 credit as soon as that person earns their first £5 as well as a chance to win a £500 donation in the easyfundraising refer to win competition. We will get a free entry each time a new supporter signs up! Thank you for your support and happy shopping.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/barnbynorthcovepspta/?invite=WJUD79&referral-campaign=c2s&utm\_source=refsharebox

So far we have raised a total of £459.41 since we started. This is a fantastic amount, well done and thank you everyone.



# Support Barnby & North Cove Primary School PTA with easyfundraising

support the school & the children by raising as much money as we can to help with areas such as school trips, outdoor spaces, play equipment & any other areas that the school & children feel they need. Thank you for your support.

# **Next PTA Meeting**

The next pta meeting is Friday November 5th at 9.30am. Please contact the office if you would like to join or email anything you'd like passed on at the meeting.

You can access pta information in the following ways or speak to a member of the pta committee if you have something you would liked raised at the meeting.

- · PTA folder is in the office
- Notice board
- · Email: pta@barnbynorthcove.org

Mel Stitson & Donna Foskett-Smith have stepped down as secretary and Vice Chair. We would like to thank them for all their hard work & time given since starting the pta. Both have kindly offered to still continue to support the pta as and where they can. We hope they will enjoy the pta events with their families. We would like to welcome Emma Youngman as our new secretary & Jemma Smith as our new PR. We hope she will enjoy being part of the pta committee and what we do as a team. Thank you for taking the time to read this. We hope you all have a wonderful half term break. We will be back ready for some more fun and to raise some more much needed funds in the new term. Thank you all for your continued support.

### The PTA Team

Secretary- Emma Youngman
PR- Jemma Smith
Joint Treasurer- Rose Murly & Carla
Bendaoud
Vice Chair- Rose Murly
Chair- Carla Bendaoud



