



Friends of Sandringham School PTA

Autumn Term Newsletter: October 2022

Hello everyone!

Welcome to the PTA's Autumn newsletter. We are the Sandringham Parents and Teachers Association, known as the Friends of Sandringham. Our aim is to support your child's learning by raising much needed additional funds for the school.

We have some super events planned for this term. We appreciate that this winter is going to be a tough one financially for everyone so we will be mindful of this while also seeking to put on fun events.

Dates for your diary

Please put the following dates in your diary! We'll send round details nearer the time.

Christmas cards: To be received by school by Thursday 13 October

October half term: Pumpkin trail

Friday 4 November: Happy Bag collection (charity bag collection)

Wednesday 30 November: Christmas Fayre (in school for children only)

Friday 2 December: School Christmas Disco

Pumpkin trail

Following on from the success of last year, we are organising a pumpkin trail for the children over October half term. There will be pumpkin pictures to find and prizes on offer! We'll provide more details soon.



Tea towels

We are very excitingly planning to print **tea towels** this year! Children will be asked to draw a picture of themselves to go on the tea towels. The tea towels should arrive in time for Christmas and will make lovely presents for family and friends. We'll let you know when and how to order.

PTA Christmas events



A **Christmas Fayre** will be held in school (for the children only) on Wednesday 30 November. Children will be asked to bring a small donation to buy “tickets” to take part in games and activities.

We will be holding a **Christmas raffle** as usual. Children will bring tickets home to sell to family and friends. We will be asking parents to donate prizes for the raffle. We'll be in touch after half term about how to do this.



Prizes

If you know of a local business which might be willing to donate a prize for our Christmas raffle please let us know. Any support is very much appreciated.

Happy Bags



We'll be sending happy bags home ahead of the collection on the morning of **Friday 4 November**.

Happy bags are like charity shop bags – parents donate second hand clothes (and selected other items) and the school will earn money! This is a great opportunity to have a clear out and support our school at the same time.

Easyfundraising

Did you know you can raise money when carrying out your everyday shopping online at no extra charge or cost to you? Log-on and register with



www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fosandringshamschool and search for the company you'd like to shop with such as Amazon, Sainsburys or Asda. You can even book your holiday or buy car insurance while raising money. It really takes no time at all and can raise money for the school. The run-up to Christmas is an ideal time to register!



Thank you to all parents and friends who help and support the PTA in any way. Every donation is used well to support our children's education!

We raised nearly £600 from the Grandparents raffle – many thanks to all grandparents who generously bought raffle tickets.