Friends of Sandringham School PTA

Spring Newsletter 2022

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter!

We have some lovely events organised for the children in the run-up to Easter. As always, we really appreciate your support in fundraising and building a supportive school community.

We are in need of more volunteers to help with the PTA, particularly those who might be able to continue to help next year and any Year 1 parents. Please let the office or your Class Rep know if you are able to help.

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Dates for your diary this term

Friday 25 March: Mother's Day Raffle and Mother's Day gifts to be sent home

Friday 1 April: Sponsored Bunny Hop

Easter holidays: Easter trail

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Mother's Day Gifts and Raffle

Every child in the school will be making a lovely Mother's Day gift to give to someone special.

We are asking parents to donate **£2 per child** to cover the costs of the materials. The donation should be made through the PTA website: Friends of Sandringham (pta-events.co.uk)
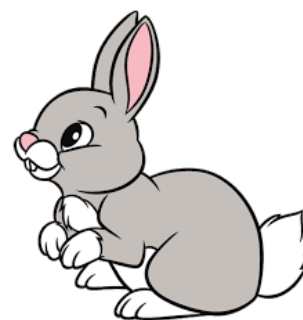
We thank you very much in advance for your donation. Any money we make (above the costs of the materials) will be donated to the school through the PTA.

We are also organising a Mother's Day Raffle. Raffle tickets will be sold at the Mother's Day assemblies on **Friday 25 March.** There will be a range of lovely prizes available and the raffle will be drawn on the day.

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Sponsored Easter Bunny Hop

Children will be taking part in an exciting new event: an Easter bunny hop! Children will make their own bunny ears and will ask for sponsorship for hopping round the playground. This will be held on the last day of term, **Friday 1 April**.

Further information about the bunny hop and sponsorship forms will be sent home with your child before the event.

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Easter trail

We are organising an Easter trail, similar to our very popular Halloween trail, for children to complete over the Easter holidays.

You can sign up for the trail through the PTA website for a cost of £1 per child: Friends of Sandringham (pta-events.co.uk). Older and younger siblings are welcome to join and there is no limit on the number of entries. The entry deadline is 31st March.

Everyone who submits their completed trail form will be entered into a prize draw. The prizes will be book vouchers and chocolate eggs.

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Year 2 Leavers

The PTA has started organising Year 2 Leavers hoodies and yearbooks. Details will be sent out in due course to Year 2 parents.

Return of the Frimley Green Carnival!

The Frimley Green Carnival is returning this year on Sunday 10th July. In the past the school has entered a float (and indeed won the best float prize!). We would love to enter a float this year. In order to do so, we need volunteers to be on the committee to organise the entry. We would really appreciate volunteers for this. Please email the office if you can help.

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Happy Bags

Happy School Bag is an easy fundraising scheme that helps schools, clubs and other organisations to raise funds through the collection of unwanted yet reusable clothing.

We will be sending happy bags home ahead of our next collection on **Monday 9 May.**

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/fosandringhamschool 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 raises money for the school.

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Fundraising update

We are looking to raise funds this year to help pay for a **pirate ship** for the school playground. We are looking to fundraise a £6,000-8,000 donation from the PTA towards this exciting project.

The PTA has already provided funds for other projects at school, including using the proceeds of the Grandparents Raffle to buy much-needed books for the school library and buying Reception class learning resources.

We raised an AMAZING £3,000 in the Autumn Term and we hope the events this term will help us add to that total. All funds raised are used to support our children's education so a big thank you to everyone who has supported to PTA financially or otherwise this term.