



Events 2012-13

Welcome to our Autumn Term Newsletter! We hope you are back into a term time routine and ready to enjoy lots of exciting events over the coming year. Last year, with the help and support of so many, we raised over £20,200! In the end the governors squeezed the budget to replace laptops so the PTA were able to use the planned ICT budget to provide **16 iPads, and a docking station**. These arrived on Friday so we hope the children will be able to use them very soon. We have also bought some **special mice and headphones** for reception and **2 extra portable floodlights** for the pitch to help in the darker evenings. We are also looking at ways to improve the facilities in the hall, which is currently a big white shell and could benefit from many additional features. These will be discussed at the AGM

and beyond so if you have any thoughts please let us know.

Thank you to those who supported the MacMillan Coffee morning on 28th September. This raised a fantastic £352.23 with lots of amazing cake creations. Thank you also to 'Buttercream and Bows' who gave their time and prizes free of charge to support the event. Look out for them at the Christmas Bazaar if you missed them! The winning cupcake decorators were Lois in Reception and Emily in Yr 5—well done to them.

This year, for the first time, we have created a complete list of events and made them into a format that you can stick on your fridge, magnetic board or anywhere else handy to refer to! There are several new events planned so if you are interested in knowing more, or helping

out at any of these please email us and we will put you in touch with the organiser.

On the back of the magnet are all the schemes we take part in that enable you to support the PTA often without donating any more yourself. Our two new additions on this list are 'Charity Flowers' and 'Easy Fundraising'. Some of you were given information at parents evening about Easy Fundraising but for those who were missed, the full details are on the reverse of this letter. Please sign up before you do your Christmas shopping and get those companies donating to school! There are some Charity Flowers flyers next to the office window. Please help yourself.

Don't forget that the PTA AGM is on 15th October at 7pm starting with wine and nibbles, so do come along and find out more!

Personalised Christmas Cards

Your children have designed their very own Christmas cards and gift tags in school recently. We have sent their very artistic creations off to be professionally printed and they will be available for you to buy very soon. These are a great way of sending something different to all your family and friends and supports the Coppice PTA at the same time. They will be for sale priced £5 for 12 cards with envelopes and £1.60 for 16 self adhesive gift tags. You will be sent a sample card to admire before you are asked for your order!



Busy at work? You can still help!

We are a registered charity (No.1085382) and many businesses organise dress down days and other similar events, in aid of local charities. We believe several banks offer a match funding scheme for fund raising events—does any one work for them?

We also need raffle prizes for the Christmas Bazaar, Ball and Summer Fayre. Personal contacts are always best in collecting these! As well as the obvious things like toys and bottles of wine, entrance tickets or vouchers towards a service are always popular. If you enjoy something then chances are that someone else would too!



Who is who?

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