



# P.T.F.A Newsletter

October 2023

Welcome back, hopefully you have all had a nice summer break and have settled back into the school routine.

On Monday 16th October we have a non-uniform day planned, just bring in £1 per child and they can wear what they like, as long as it doesn't interfere with their lessons, i.e. no giant inflatable dinosaurs!

The PTFA will be selling refreshments in the church before the Harvest Festival on Friday 20th October.

Our AGM is on Wednesday 15th November, this is where we vote in the committee for the following year and we really need people to turn up and vote, if we don't have enough people come and vote the PTFA will fold.

We will be looking for a new Treasurer so if you have a background in accounts we would really appreciate you coming along and joining the PTFA. We are a friendly group who do this so the children get to experience different fundraising events within the school. We all remember our School disco's and without the PTFA this wouldn't happen. These events also give us the opportunity to raise funds for the school so we can provide extra equipment or help towards school trips, that parents would normally have to pay full price for.

## Raffle Prizes Wanted

We are looking for raffle prizes for our Christmas Raffle, if anyone is able to donate items or vouchers for your business we would be very grateful.

## Committee Members

Chair - Vicky French  
Vice Chair - Charlotte Budgen  
Treasurer - Sam Keast  
Secretary - Han Palframan  
Secretary - Martina Groves  
Sarah Evans

Please join us at our AGM which will be held on Wednesday 15th November 7.30pm @ Rushbrooke Arms

## Dates for the Diary

**Non Uniform Day**  
Monday 16th October

**Maths Morning**  
Tuesday 17th October

**Harvest Festival**  
Friday 20th October

**Match Box Challenge**  
Over half term

**Half Term**  
23rd - 27th October

**Cygnets Guy Fawkes  
Competition & Trail**  
November 4th

**Kids Christmas Shop**  
14th & 15th December  
@ school

**Christmas Disco**  
Friday 15th December  
(After School)

## Thank you from Larks!

The PTFA purchased a new rug for Larks after the old one was damaged over the summer holidays.



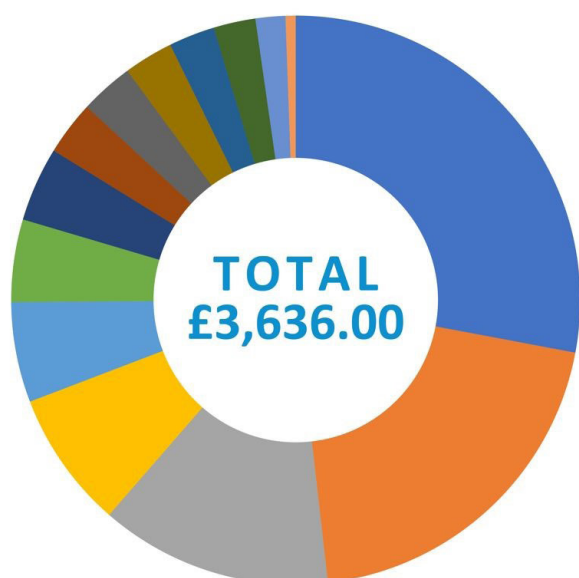
## PTFA Treasurer Wanted

We will be looking for a new Treasurer at our AGM in November, if anyone would like to take on this role we would be very grateful.

## Event Money

We would like to politely remind everyone that if your child takes part in an event that you bring in the money, unfortunately only half the children at the water fight day had their £1. If your child doesn't want to take part in an event that's absolutely fine, but if they do and you are struggling to afford it then please speak to a teacher, we do realise the cost of living is high and will understand. If you simply forget, you can bring it in at a later date.

## Money raised this school year



£727.00	Summer Fair
£526.00	Easter Bingo
£343.00	Coffee Mornings
£203.00	Wacky Wednesdays
£148.00	Ice Pops
£122.00	Xmas Disco
£110.00	Xmas Shopping
£80.00	Bags to School
£79.00	Nativity, Harvest, Sports Day Refreshments
£73.00	Wear what you love
£68.00	Uniform Sales
£62.00	Competitions
£44.00	Owls Performance
£15.00	EasyFundraising



from the PTFA

How has this benefited the school?

Interactive Whiteboard £2375 - Playground Equipment £438 - School Trip Travel £823



PTFA

# MATCH BOX CHALLENGE

Please write on your match box,

Name  
Class  
How many items in the match box?

**Start date to be announced**

£2 per Match Box- see the teacher.  
Complete over half term.

Fill with as many **DIFFERENT** things as possible.

The person with the most wins.  
Return by Friday 3rd November to your teacher.

**WHAT CAN YOU FIT IN YOURS?**

The PTFA will be helping the kids

## Kids Christmas Shop

Thursday 14th December & Friday 15th December at school.

Kids bring in a named envelope with their money to spend. Please list who they need to buy for on the envelope and total cash enclosed.

They then choose which gifts to buy for their family. Prices range from 50p to £2.50 per gift. Wrapping and labels included!



# Non-Uniform Day

Monday 16th October

£1 each to take part

Give the teacher your £1 at the start of school.

Wear whatever you like, as long as it doesn't stop you from learning.





# Cygnets Guy Fawkes' Trail

£2.00 Per Map

Saturday 4th November

10.00am to 3.00pm

Starts and finishes at Cygnets Childcare,  
Great Whelnetham. IP30 OUA

Come and search for all the Guys,  
and vote for your favourite.

Return your map with a  
completed anagram to  
receive your sweets.  
Refreshments and cake  
available to buy  
at Cygnets



All Guys can be found throughout  
Great Whelnetham and Stanningfield.  
All money raised going to Cygnets Childcare.



# Build A Guy Fawkes Competition

Join in the plot  
and you could be a winner!

£5.00 Per Household

All Guys to be displayed in front gardens,  
visible from the road by 9.00am on  
Saturday 4th November,  
ready for our Cygnets Guy Fawkes' Trail.

Entry forms can be collected from  
Sicklesmere Post Office or contact  
cygnetschildcare@hotmail.com



Winning prize is a family day  
pass to Jimmy's Farm.



Open to all Great Whelnetham and Stanningfield residents.  
All money raised going to Cygnets Childcare.

For those not in Great Whelnetham or Stanningfield, you can display  
your Guy at Cygnets or Whelnetham Community Centre.  
Entry forms also available from Vicky French



## Cygnets Childcare

We have spaces available for

Breakfast Club (8am)  
5 Days a week after half term.

After School Club (pick up by 5pm)

To book a place please contact Carolyn  
01284 386220  
cygnetschildcare@hotmail.com  
www.cygnetschildcare.co.uk