

Welcome to the second edition of your PTA newsletter

April 2017

What is a Parent Teacher Association (PTA)?

The PTA is a charity organisation of parents and staff. Our role is to encourage closer links between home and school. The PTA are best known for fundraising work to raise money for extra resources to further enrich the children's learning and play. As well as fundraising, the PTA have a useful social function, fundraising events provide an opportunity for parents, children and staff to get together and have fun!

How is the PTA organised?

All parents and carers are automatically part of the PTA. We hold an Annual General Meeting (AGM) where a committee is selected to run the PTA. Our committee consists of a Chair, Vice Chair, 3 x Secretaries (including 1 for Leedon Little Learners), Treasurer, Treasurers Assistant, Leedon Staff and over 15 general committee members.

Our committee meet every 6-8 weeks, this meeting gives us the opportunity to get together and discuss the projects we want to fundraise for and how we will do it.

How is money raised?

We raise money mainly through events such as the Summer Fete, Christmas Bazaar, Quiz Nights and School Discos. We also run other events including the tuck shop, school uniform sales and sponsored activities.

How is money spent?

The PTA committee, including Mr Benson decide how to spend PTA funds. We have recently contributed towards the school minibus, amphitheatre and school benches. We have also funded Year 4 leavers hoodies, playground toys, Christmas party food, the fish tank, books, instruments, sports kit plus much more.

Funds raised by the PTA are intended to provide 'extras' not already provided by the school's main income – often 'fun things' that make learning and play more interesting and exciting.

How can I be involved in my PTA?

There are many different ways you can help with the PTA, whether you have lots of time to offer or not. Some of the roles are time-consuming, although also rewarding. If you can't commit to a big job, there are things you can do less frequently (e.g. running a stall at the summer fair, baking for a cake sale, helping at the tuck shop). You can always support PTA events by simply turning up.

Please feel free to say 'Hi' to one of our members, email us on leedonpta@gmail.com or pop into the office and have a chat to find out more.



What's been happening this term?

We raised almost £500 at our January quiz night - it was great fun!

WINNERS

"The Gray Matter"



We donated £250 towards football kits for the school team

Following the wishes campaign, we have bought new footballs and Where's Wally books plus Mr Benson knows about all of your wishes (Not all fall under the PTA), and some may come true very soon!

The School Council asked us to buy some toys for the playground, and we bought:

Marble mazes and marbles

Musical instruments

Stomp rockets

Chalk

Clipboards

Giant Jenga

Skipping ropes

Basketballs

Giant noughts and crosses

Building blocks

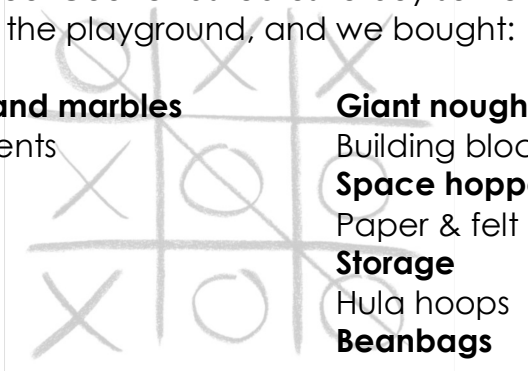
Space hoppers

Paper & felt tips

Storage

Hula hoops

Beanbags



Visit to Peters Book Store

By Lily-Rose Williams
Year 4, Saturn

The School Council visited Peters Book Store in Birmingham, it took 2 hours on the minibus!

Only 14 of us got to go there. We got loads of books and it was like book heaven!

We had been given an amazing £2000 to spend to re-stock the library.

It was so fun, we got to eat pizza, sausage rolls, and sandwiches for lunch and there were cakes for pudding.

We also got free biscuits!



The winners of the Matchbox Challenge will be announced after Easter

Our Pre loved uniform sales have raised just over £45

Diary Dates

8th May
2017
7.30pm
@ Leedon



QUIZ NIGHT

12th May 2017

7.30pm

Bring your own food & drink

See posters for further details

QUIZ

Pamper & Shopping Evening

9th June 2017

7pm—10pm

See posters for further details



Thank you for supporting our PTA events and activities.

We hope you have a happy Easter!



Want to get in touch? Email us at leedonpta@gmail.com