

BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL PTA NEWSLETTER



Autumn Term Newsletter 21st December 2016

Welcome to this week's Bernards Heath Infants PTA newsletter. We hope that you will enjoy finding out about the exciting things that the PTA are organising around school. Have a restful holiday and a very Merry Christmas!

Please make all cheques written for PTA events payable to:
'BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL PTA'. Thank you.

A MASSIVE THANK YOU!

Thank you so much to everyone for your support this term. We have managed to raise an astounding **£12,500** through events such as the Boden evening, cake sale, school panto tickets, Christmas cards, the Christmas Fair and more. Thank you so much to everyone that has helped to plan and run these events, as well as to those who came along to support them. This money will make a massive difference to the school and to your children, in fact some of it has already been used to purchase new resources for the school! In the spring term, the server and hardware that supports the software systems will be upgraded and new laptops will begin to be purchased for all of the children to use. The money will also be used in lots of other ways to enrich each child's learning and of course the Easter bunny will be visiting in March to deliver a gift to each child. Thank you everyone!

Planning for the New Year

We are so lucky to have so many parents involved in our PTA events at Bernards Heath infant and nursery school. You all make a wonderful contribution and help to keep the community of the school thriving. This is the reason why we can put on so many wonderful events.

After Christmas, we will be reviewing the Christmas Fair and looking at ways to make it even better next year. We will also begin to plan the events for the rest of the school year and we would love to see lots of people at our meeting to give us their ideas. The meeting will be held on **Thursday 12th January at 8pm** and we welcome everyone.

Events that have previously taken place in the Spring term are:

- Quiz night
- Mother's day gift wrapping
- Cake Sale
- Visit from the Easter bunny

We would love to hear your feedback on these and any new ideas that you might have. If you would be interested in getting involved in organising or helping out with any of these events, please come along or email us before the meeting.

Dates to remember:

Date	Time	Event
Thursday 12th Jan	8pm	PTA MEETING – FAIR FEEDBACK AND EVENT PLANNING – ALL WELCOME!

The Giving Machine - We are a top 50 cause!

Have you signed up for the Giving Machine yet?

We received an email from the founder of The Giving Machine last week to say that we are one of the top 50 active causes on TheGivingMachine website, which is fantastic! Thank you so much to everyone that has signed up. So far purchases made through the website have raised over £350 for the school and we have nearly doubled the number of givers for our school since last school. By using sign-up code 57631 supporters will automatically become a Bernards Heath Infant School giver when they register on TheGivingMachine. It is free and a fantastic way to give to our lovely school!

<http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk>.

Cloth Bags

There are still a few cloth bags for each year group left. The profits from the sale of the bags go towards our school and bags are £4 for 1 or £7 for 2. They are very environmentally friendly and useful! If you would like to order one or more please pop into the office with your money and fill in an order form.

PTA Committee:

Co-chairs: Rachel Fraser and Anne Lupin

Secretary: Angela Anderson

Treasurers: Nicola Walmsley, Annelaure Curry and Helen Peterkin

Please get in touch with any ideas or feedback, we would love to hear from you:

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If you can volunteer to help at any of the events arranged by the PTA, please sign up at:

<https://app.ptasocial.com/register/bernardsheathinfant>