

# PTFA NEWSLETTER JAN 2017

## Welcome to our PTFA newsletter and 2017.

The newsletter is a way to keep Parents and Carers informed about events and fundraising ideas. We also have a closed group page on Facebook. It's an easy way to see what's going on, so please join if you haven't already. If you aren't on Facebook, but want to keep in touch, we will still continue to send out letters and put posters in the notice board. The School website will also be updated with information.

## What the PTFA Does?

The purpose of the PTFA is to provide support to the staff and pupils of the school and to assist in raising funds for extracurricular activities, outings and additional items needed by the school.

The School Council have recently given the PTFA a wish list that they have complied. At the recent January meeting the PTFA were pleased to be able to offer the funds to purchase all the items that the Council have requested. These include a push bike, penny farthing bike, tiger feet stilts, sports throwing disks, "all sorts kit", climbing foam kit, raised benches for environment area for playtime, super soft PVC footballs, team catch kit, giant chess board & hopscotch mats. We are also providing new storage for the above, rubbish bins and storage shelves for the new books that the PTFA has purchased.

We have also paid for the E-safety day & the Golden Apple prizes.

As you will be aware, the PTFA is run by volunteers who offer their time to help raise funds. Without the help of the volunteers the PTFA couldn't function so 'THANK YOU' to all the helpers who continue to give up their time. The Christmas events were very successful and fun too. Thank you to all businesses and individuals who donated raffle prizes too.

We have more events coming up over the next few terms. There will be letters to give more details but here are some dates for your diaries.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb – Hat Day**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb – Cake Sale**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Mar – Chocolate Bingo**

We will also be holding another quiz during May. More details to follow, but last year's quiz was great fun and raised lots of money for the School. There will be a bar (with all monies going towards the PTFA) and you will be welcome to bring your own food.

The PTFA will also be purchasing some road safety A-Boards that you may have seen outside other local Schools. These help to remind drivers to park safely and be aware of the dangers around School Pick up and Drop off.

The next meeting will take place on **March 6<sup>th</sup>** after School in the barn. We hope to see you there but if you can't make it please keep in touch and support as and when you can.

