

## **PTA newsletter Winter 2022**

# Welcome to our first newsletter of 2022/23 academic year

We have had a terrific term of fundraising efforts from our GSA community, your continued support is very much appreciated. We hope you all have a happy and safe Christmas, shared with your loved ones, and we look forward to seeing what 2023 will bring us.

#### Christmas disco

The Disco has yet to go ahead as we send out our Christmas newsletter, however, we would like to extend a huge thank you to our GSA community who have come out in full force to join in and buy tickets and volunteer their time.

Last year saw our Christmas disco postponed until easter, so we are very excited to have our first disco, actually at Christmas, since 2019!

#### Preloved sale

Preloved uniform sales continue to thrive in our community having raised over £230 this term alone!

Ulana Buczok and Emma Strudwick have stepped down from their preloved role and we would like to thank them for all the hard work put into sorting and selling uniform over the past few years, their effort has been very much appreciated.

If you would like to help support us with our preloved uniform alongside Lucy Stokes, please get in touch.

Logo uniform continues to be highly sort after and donations can be left in the donation bin at reception.

## Y2 Christingle Service

We look forward to giving Y2 children an opportunity to perform in front of their loved ones in person on Monday 19 December, having missed out over the past two years due to covid restrictions.

We will be serving hot chocolate and mince pies from 2pm, all parents welcome.

#### **PTA AGM 2022**

Thank you to all those who attended our AGM in October. It was a great opportunity to reflect on the achievements of the past 12 months and look at how we can develop.

We would like to thank Natalie Woods who stepped down as cotreasurer at the end of July and confirm the new committee member elected in below:

Co-Chair's Noelle Peacock & Cara Lees

Co-Treasurer's Sarah Bray & Emma Burrows

Co-Secretary's Vivianne Scarff & Shauna Freeman

We also updated out PTA Strategy, a copy of this and the minutes from the AGM have been circulated on school emails and can also be found on the schools website.

## **Easy Fundraising**

Want a **FREE** way to help raise money for the school?

Sign up and start raising cashback for the school today:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/goodshepherdarnold

#### Cake sale

We were blown away by the level of donations for our cake sale this term! We were lucky to have enough to do two sales for KS1 & KS2, and thanks to your generous donations and time we raised £218.03!

A special thank you to the parents who were able to help us set up and sell on the day.

## New parents coffee morning

It was lovely to welcome new families into our community at the coffee morning in September.

Thank you to all those who donated cakes/biscuits and we look forward to our next coffee morning at 9am-10am, 13 January 2023 in the school, all parents welcome!

#### Church bazaar

Thank you to all the families who donated a bottle for the tombola and those who supported on the day.

Our bottle stall alone raised £547, with the total for the whole Bazaar over £8,700!



The school lottery continues to be a success, with a guaranteed winner from GSA every week winning 30% of ticket sales!

Thank you to those who continue to buy tickets. Why not sign up to get your tickets to be in with a chance of winning here:

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/ lottery/school/the-good-shepherdprimary-catholic-academy

#### Co-Treasurer

Welcome Emma Burrows who is our new committee Co-Treasurer. Her support will be invaluable in managing the financial responsibilities of the charity.