



***** PTFA NEWS UPDATE *****
September 2017

Welcome back everyone, we hope it was a good summer & a special welcome to new parents to St Catherine's. This is our first PTFA newsletter for the new term so we'd thought we'd just update you on upcoming events and share the fundraising focus for this year. There's a lot coming up so make sure you make a note in your diary and don't forget to keep up to date on the latest news on our St Catherine's PTFA Facebook page.

Next meeting

We're holding our first meeting of this term next Monday 2 October @ 7.15pm at the Market House. Everyone is welcome & it would be great to see some new faces so do join us if you can.

We're also our holding our **AGM on Thursday 2 November @ 7pm in the school hall**. There'll be wine & nibbles & a quick update on last year as well as what's planned so far for 2017/18. It's a great chance to find out what's going on and meet other parents.

Clothing collection on 10 November

Our next bag2school collection is scheduled for 10 November. So do have a sort out of unwanted clothes, shoes, belts & bags over the next few weeks as it's a great low cost way to raise funds for the school. If you're not sure what to include check out www.bag2school.com for more info.

It's nearly here...

Sorry to mention Christmas so soon into the term but we have a date for our annual Christmas Fayre – **Friday 24 November from 3.15-5.30**. It will be held at school with all the old favourites – Santa's Grotto, Jolly Jars, bottle & chocolate tombolas, children's Christmas crafts & we'll be serving hot drinks & mince pies. Make sure you put the date in your diary as it's always a special event at school & a fun way to start the festive season.

Non-uniform day

We'll be holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 17 November** in aid of Children in Need. So come to school dressed to impress & don't forget to bring a bottle for our Christmas Fayre tombola – for every bottle donated St Catherine's will be donating £1 to Children in Need. So it's all for a very worthy cause.

We'd also love any teddy bears and soft toys that need a new home for our teddy tombola.

We'd like to film this year's **KS1 Nativity Play** so if you could help with filming or know someone who could, please do let us know either via Facebook or email us scptga@gmail.com

Don't forget to use **easyfundraising**. easyfundraising.org.uk is a site you can use to raise money for the school when you shop on line. If you haven't used it yet, it's really simple... just go onto the website and click through from the website to the retailer you want. It's the retailer that gives a donation to our school. It couldn't be easier
www.easyfundraising.org.uk.

And finally...

A **HUGE** thank you to you and your children who raised an amazing £1628.59 on the Julia's House Extra Mile run in July – 50% of which was donated to Julia's House children's hospice to support their fantastic work. It was an amazing effort by everyone & as it was such a success we're hoping to make it an annual event.

Do please join us at our next meeting or the AGM in November. If you can't make the meetings but feel you may be able to help out now & again do email us scptfa@gmail.com and we can keep you posted on what's happening.

Dates for the diary

Next meeting – Mon 2 October @ 7.15pm at Market House

AGM – Thursday 2 November @ 7pm in the school hall

Bag2school clothing collection – Friday 10 November

Non-school uniform day – Friday 17 November. Bring a bottle!

Christmas Fayre – Friday 24 November @ 3.15-5.30pm

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