

# Aldryngton School PTA

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## PTA News

### FEBRUARY 2019

NEXT PTA MEETING – THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 7PM (ALL PARENTS WELCOME)

*"Working Together, Learning Together, Growing Together"*



A family Bingo & Curry Night will take place in the school hall on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**. Cash prizes to be won, everyone is welcome! Doors open 6.30pm, eyes down at 7pm, aim to finish by 9pm. For this event it will be necessary to book and pay in advance. Bingo costs £5 per adult and £2.50 per child. You can also order a curry meal to enjoy during the interval at an additional cost. To pre-book a place for the PTA Bingo & Curry Night please print and complete the order form being emailed to all families on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February, a copy will also be available on the PTA web pages/communications. If you don't have access to a printer you can pick up a copy of the order form at the PTA post box in the office foyer. To secure your place(s) you must return your order form and payment to the PTA post box in the office foyer no later than Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

We are delighted to announce that the school is holding another textile collection

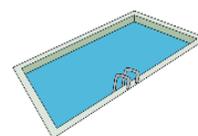


on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** to raise funds for the PTA. This scheme is designed to help

schools to raise funds and to help the environment by diverting discarded but reusable textiles away from landfill. To take part you simply need to fill the Bag2School bag which will come home in your child's book bag in early March with unwanted but clean clothing. More details to follow.



The PTA are once again planning egg hunts for the children. The egg hunts will take place on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** for FS & MS and **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** for LS & US (weather permitting), egg hunts happen at lunch time and will cost £2 per child. It will be necessary to pre-book and pay in advance for this activity. Details will be provided w/c 11<sup>th</sup> March.



PTA Pool Club opens its doors on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May**.

The Pool Club web pages will be updated over the coming weeks and joining instructions will be issued to all families in March. The application process will be open for one month, giving plenty of time for members to join up. Watch this space for more details.



## 2019 Try-a-Tri

This year's Tri-a-Tri event will take place on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June**. This is a fun Triathlon, a 3-in-1 race made up of swimming, cycling and running. It's open to all pupils from Foundation to Year 6. It's a team-orientated event taking place on the school grounds. Participants will compete in just one of the 3 elements and their team mates do the rest. Teams are comprised of three children from within the same section of the school i.e. all from Lower School/Foundation, all from Middle School, or all from Upper School. It costs £4 per child to enter, registration forms will be sent home after Easter. **Our thanks to Mr Marsh for leading the Try-a-Tri again this year.**

Mr Marsh will be meeting current volunteers and any new parents who are interested in getting involved with the Try-a-Tri on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February (disco night) in the Family Lounge from 7.15pm. A large group of parent helpers are required to make this event possible so if you can help please pop along on 14<sup>th</sup> February or contact the PTA. The Try-a-Tri cannot happen without help from parents so please try to get involved.



The PTA have declared **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** a non-school uniform day. £1 donations to the class teacher. Monies raised will go towards funding items/projects agreed in Committee meetings.

**\*\*Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June\*\***

**Date for your calendar - jam packed with fun...**



The day's events start with the annual copper coin activity. Start collecting your 1p & 2p coins now!

Children will fill giant outlines of their house emblems with 1p & 2p coins. All pupils are invited to collect as many copper coins as they can between now and 28<sup>th</sup> June. They should bring their coins into school on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June to create giant copper coin mosaics. All this will happen after morning registration and before morning break. House points will be awarded to the team with the most coin filled picture. Parent helpers are needed for the Copper Coin Mosaics so please get in touch with the PTA if you can help.

## Family Picnic

From mid-day on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** School are planning a **Family Picnic** followed by a **Concert** where they will entertain you by showcasing the talents of some of the pupils - including dance, poetry and music. The office will circulate more details on this part of the day's events nearer the time.



After the Picnic & Concert, Year 6 pupils will be running their **Upper School stalls**. Alongside the Year 6 stalls, the PTA will provide a traditional summer fayre from 2pm until 4pm. Children and parents are invited to bring some spending money to school on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June in order to enjoy the various stalls on offer.

We will need parents to help at the fayre. Further details will be published nearer the time along with the self-booking volunteer schedule.

## Cake Sale



Cake Sales so far this academic year have raised a fantastic £516 – thank you to everyone who has baked and bought! Please continue to support the Cake Sales:

7 <sup>th</sup> March	Miss Alberti
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs Coleman/Mrs Smith
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Mrs Woolston/Mrs Gregory
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Mrs Dunn
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Miss Riglar
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Miss Saunders



Remember the PTA are members of the Cash4Coins scheme. We collect anything that is or was once money and we will turn your old or unwanted money into a cash donation. We collect all worldwide foreign currency, new and old including old British coins and notes. The collection bucket is situated in the school office foyer. After one year the bucket is almost full so we will be sending it off soon so keep those old/unwanted coins coming in.

We are thrilled to update you on the three local community fundraising schemes we took part in last term. **Special thanks to Mr & Mrs Counihan for completing the successful applications on behalf of the PTA.**



Thank you to everyone who supported us via the Asda Green Token scheme.

**We came First Place by a long way and won the top prize of £500.**



Also a big thank you everyone who supported via the Tesco Blue Token scheme. **We came Second Place in the Reading area and won a whopping £2000.**



Aldryngton PTA were also lucky enough to be chosen for a Bottle Bank at Asda, all glass recycled in 'our' Bottle Bank won us money and we received **£500 from the scheme.**

**All the money will go towards the development of outdoor play.**