

CHRISTMAS ISSUE 2019



Co-chair message:

Wow! What a busy term! We can't believe how much has been achieved this term and the fun we've had along the way!

Our 'Keep our Seas Plastic Free' winning float at the Mayor's Procession in October was brilliant, eye catching and topical. A massive thank you to Carrie and Laura for coordinating this event and to all the staff and families who donated items, came on the day, and supported our school.

A huge thank you to Caroline, Shona and Fraser (and partners) who coordinated this year's Cuckfield Bonfire Night. Due to awful weather this event was not the usual success, however we did still manage to make a profit of £400 on our stall.

Two incredibly successful Grounds Weekends took place this term – with record numbers of parents/carers in attendance. In September our Butterfly Meadow was created, ready for wildflowers to be sown, followed by creating an extra pond in November, as well as all

the usual maintenance of the grounds. Thank you so much to our amazingly knowledgeable Grounds Team for their dedication to looking after the school grounds.

The Christmas Fair was an amazing success – we hope you enjoyed the afternoon with your families. A huge thank you to everyone who donated items, helped prepare stalls/events, and helped on the day – this really was a team effort. It was great to see so many families and staff enjoy the fair; a Saturday afternoon Christmas Fair seems to work!

And finally, one of the children's favourite events, Christmas Shopping Day, was another great success thanks to the preparations and organisation of Jess and Clare who, with their team of helpers, had been busy throughout the year purchasing and wrapping nearly 3000 presents for our children to buy – we hope you like your gifts – watching the children choose their presents is magical!

We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you in 2020 for a slightly quieter term!



PTA PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Holv Trinity C of E School Cuckfield

Holy Trinity PTA is your PTA, that works to raise funds for our school and help provide further resources and opportunities for our children.

We always love to see new faces at meetings and events, and welcome any parent/carer who wants to get involved!

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

So far in 2019/2020 we have raised over **£14,700**

Not bad for one term of fundraising!

Each year group has been given £750 to purchase classroom resources such as Maths/English equipment, Art consumables and outside play items.

£1000 has been committed to buy a new playhouse for the Reception outside area.

All children continue to enjoy Forest School sessions, paid for with PTA funds.

UPCOMING EVENTS

10th January Year 6 Cake Sale

17th January Year 5 Cake Sale

21st January KS1 Film Night

22nd January KS2 Film Night

23rd January PTA AGM & Meeting

24th January Year 4 Cake Sale **31st January** Year 3 Cake Sale

7th February Year 1 Cake Sale

7th February GLOW – social event

14th February Year 2 Cake Sale

28th February Reception Cake Sale

29th Feb / 1st March Grounds Days

25th & 26th January Grounds Days

JOIN US AT OUR AGM:

Thursday 23rd January, 7.45pm The School Hall

Jen & Amy x www.classlist.com

Some events next term:

KS1 & KS2 Film Nights 21st & 22nd January

We are looking forward to entertaining your children at Holy Trinity School cinema in the New Year. Children will be taken to the Hall at the end of the school day and entertained with an age appropriate film, drinks and popcorn for £1 donation per child. Films to be announced in the New Year.

21st January, 3.15pm – 5pm: Reception, Year 1 & 2 **22nd January, 3.15 – 5pm:** Year 3 – Year 6



PTA AGM & Meeting 23rd January, 7.45pm, School Hall

All parents / carers very welcome.

Come along to hear of the successes of the PTA in the last year, how the money raised has been spent and participate in the election of the PTA executive positions – if you would like to stand to be elected as Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer or Secretary please email the PTA before 23rd January: holytrinityptacuckfield@gmail.com

Grounds Days 25th & 26th January

We are so fortunate to have such a talented & incredibly dedicated team of parents who look after our fantastic school grounds, however... THEY NEED YOUR HELP! Grounds Days are a great opportunity to explore the school grounds, meet other parents/carers and do your bit to help maintain the grounds for our children to enjoy. No previous experience necessary, just some energy and enthusiasm! Children, parents, grandparents, are all welcome to come and help! There will be refreshments and a fire to toast marshmallows too.



Friday 7th February, 7pm – 11.30pm Step back in time and boogie on down at Holy Trinity School's totally 90s disco

Get your tickets and babysitters sorted for the best 90s party Cuckfield has ever seen! We are talking neon, fancy dress (optional) and lots of cosmopolitans!! There will be a prize for the best fancy dress. DJ Sumer Sound will be playing all the hits and taking requests too!

Tickets cost £15 with a welcome drink. Buy your tickets here: $\underline{GLOW \ tickets}$

Co-chair: Jen Plenty & Amy Hayden



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essential place to find all PTA related information about when exciting things are happening! We also include a few essential school related events such as term dates and INSET dates.

Click on the **More** icon and you will find the **Events** section.

A really handy function is the 'Add this event to my personal calendar' link. By clicking on the event and scrolling down through the information you can find this link which will add the event to your own calendar!



If you **reply** to events you will also get reminders, to help jog your memory of events coming up. You can also create **private events** for birthday parties or playdates and invite individuals.

Other ways to support the PTA:

We are continuing to crowdfund to raise money to buy an **OUTSIDE CLASSROOM** for our school grounds; you can contribute to this here:

VirginMoneyGiving - Outside Classroom

Buying name tags? <u>www.mynametags.com</u> donate 24% of every order to the PTA Enter our School ID: 29206

Shopping online? Click through <u>easyfundraising</u> and a % of your purchase will be donated to the PTA



Voluntary Contributions:

http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com /charities/holytrinity-cuckfield