

PTFA NEWSLETTER

September 2014



On Monday evening Ongar Place PTFA held its first meeting of the new school year. It was fantastic to see some new Chestnut parents and I'm hopeful that we have a great year ahead of us.

A new committee was voted in. They are:

- Chair: Jo Maitland
- Vice Chair: Jo Telling
- Treasurer: Sarah French
- Secretary: Jackie Bailey

The PTFA also have representatives for each class. These people help to communicate with the parents and organise events for their year – for example, our famous cake sales!

The year reps for this school year are:

- R: Linda Baxter
- Y1: Jo Telling
- Y2: Diana Mills
- Y3: Tiffany Brewer
- Y4: Natasha Kandlekar and Emma Bramwell
- Y5: Ali Foyle and Clare Young
- Y6: Jo Maitland

We also have some great fundraising events lined up for the coming months. Our first will be a bring and buy book sale. This will take place in the hall straight after school on 24th October.

Other events we'll be organising this year include:

19th November: Christmas Shopping Evening

17th December: School Disco

6th February: Snail race

15th May: Quiz Night

20th June: Summer Fair

We hope that you'll be able to join us at some of the events, but there are many other ways that you can help the PTFA raise funds for the school. Many companies have a charity match-funding scheme. If yours does please could you consider asking them to donate to our school? We are also grateful for donations of raffle prizes or any specific skills you have – for example, please get in touch if you are a beauty therapist who'd be willing to give treatments at the Christmas shopping evening. If you can spare any time to help at any event please see your class rep.

Last year the PTFA raised money to buy playground equipment. This year we are hoping to raise enough to buy some new storage for our outdoor equipment, improve our technology provision further and improve our outside areas. With your support I'm sure we'll be able to!

Best wishes,

Jackie Bailey, PTFA Secretary