

South Wingfield Primary School PTA

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Dates for your diary:

Thur 24th Oct – Halloween Disco (Fancy Dress optional)

Mon 4th Nov - latest date to place IQ orders

Sat 30th Nov – Christmas event

TBC - Carols in the Playground

Thursday 16th January - pantomime

PTA AGM

This was held via Zoom on **Tuesday 8th October**. It was lovely to see those who were able to make it, and elections took place for the Committee positions. Ruth Whiffin has once again been elected as Chair and Rhiannon Robinson was elected as Treasurer.

Please note, next year we will be looking for a new Chair, so if anyone is interested in hearing what this role entails, please do get in touch.

Hello to all parents, carers, and friends of South Wingfield Primary School!

We hope you are keeping safe and well, and that your children have enjoyed this Autumn Term. I can't believe that we are nearly at half term already - where does time go? So in this issue of the newsletter, we would like to outline our plans for the remainder of 2024.

We realise that times are tough for everyone, and that the cost of living increase may be affecting people. With this in mind, we have tried to put on events that will be enjoyable experiences, as well as raising money, and we hope you can support our endeavours. Every penny that we raise goes back to things that will benefit the children in some way, and we cannot do it without your help!

Many thanks for your continued support!

Last year, we contributed:

- £1500 for Christmas pantomime
- £1500 for circus skills and 'Wizard of Oz' theatre skills workshop
- £50 donation per class for Christmas gift
- £635 for bike rack, buddy bench
- £1500 for new play equipment
- £530 for lockable trolley for new laptops and iPads
- £350 for Forest School
- £650 for Art and DT supplies

We did this through raffles, a sponsored Bounce, Pumpkin Trail, various Christmas events including a Christmas Fayre, a Rags to Riches collection, cake sales and pop up shops, and our fabulous Summer Festival.

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Join us for a thrilling Spooky Disco, set to take place after school on Thursday, 24th October! The event is divided into two sessions: KS1 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. and KS2 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tickets can be booked through SchoolMoney for just £5, which includes a hot dog and unlimited squash and water. Fancy dress is optional, so feel free to unleash your creativity with a costume! The night promises to be packed with excitement, including face painting, temporary tattoos, games, competitions, and a delightfully spooky atmosphere.

Panto? Oh yes, it is!

We are thrilled to share the exciting news that M&M Productions will once again grace our stage with their enchanting pantomime performance, this year featuring the timeless tale of Beauty and the Beast. This magical event will take place on Thursday 16th January. As with everything, the cost of bringing this performance to the school has increased from last year. Therefore we are kindly asking if you can make a voluntary contribution (£5 per child), then this would be greatly appreciated.

Payment details will be sent out in early January.

We truly appreciate your generosity in supporting this beloved tradition and look forward to sharing in the joy and wonder of this spectacular performance!

IQ Christmas Card Designs

Once again, we are partnering with IQ Cards. Your child has created a design in school and this will then be printed onto high quality stationery including greetings cards, gift wrap and labels among other items.

Look out for the flyer that will be coming home this week, with details of how to order. Orders must be placed by Monday 4th November, and products will be sent home by Wednesday 20 November.

We will receive a percentage of all orders placed, and all funds raised will go back into school projects.



Christmas Craft Event

This year, we are excited to introduce a new festive event: the Christmas Craft Event, which will take place on Saturday 30th November. While we won't be hosting the usual Christmas Fayre, children will have the chance to immerse themselves in a world of creativity and holiday cheer. They can look forward to activities like decorating festive biscuits and engaging in a variety of other crafts designed to spark their imagination. As an extra treat, a very special visitor will be making an appearance, adding an extra sprinkle of magic to the day. Keep an eye out for more details as the date approaches, and get ready for a fun-filled event that captures the spirit of the season!

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OTHER WAYS TO HELP



Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be raising free donations for us with easyfundraising? There are over 8,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation – including eBay, Argos, John Lewis & Partners, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

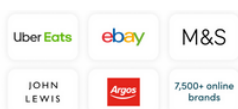
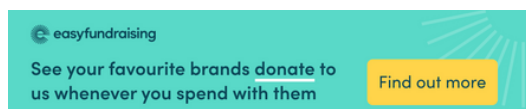


All you need to do is:

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/southwingfieldprimary/> and join for free (or use the QR code)
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping (there is an extension available that reminds you if easyfundraising is available).
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to South Wingfield Primary School at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and we will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support.



Your School Lottery is a weekly lottery. When you buy a ticket for £1 you will be entered into a draw to win cash prizes and 40p from every £1 ticket you buy will go back to us. There is at least one winner per school, per week.

Simply follow the link:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play>

and you could be a winner!



We would be really grateful for any volunteers who can assist at any of our events – please do get in touch if you are able to help out! Running a stall, serving refreshments, or even clearing up afterwards – all offers will be very thankfully received!