



PTFA Update

We are well and truly back into the spring of things for 2018! The PTFA have held their first meeting for the year and have lots of plans on the horizon.

We announced in December 2017 that we raised a staggering **£1300** at the Christmas Fayre and the Christmas Raffle played a big part in this total with a huge **£538** raised through ticket sales. This is the first Christmas we have sent home raffle tickets and it certainly proved to be a success.

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday 12th February** to discuss with school short term and long term plans for our fundraising – projects will be disclosed to parents very soon.



School Disco – What a great evening all the children had! It was lovely to see so many smiles and lots of laughter. We have had lots of good comments about the DJ already, he certainly kept everyone entertained. Who knew we had so many talented dancers and singers! Including the Volunteer Parents and Teachers!

Forthcoming Fundraising Events

February - Darrington C.E. Primary School 2017/2018 Tea Towels - These are still available at £5.00 each, if you were unable to get your hands on one at Christmas, they are still a lovely gift for yourself or a family member. One of our PTFA volunteers will be in reception **every Friday in February** if you would like to purchase one.



Feb/March – Easter Raffle – This will be our very first Easter Raffle and the PTFA are working hard asking local businesses for donations of prizes. You certainly are in for a treat. We will provide more details shortly.



Friday 2nd March – Used Book Sale in the school Hall at 3.30pm.

To join in with the World Book Week Theme, The PTFA will run a used book sale with the support of the whole school. If you have a good condition children's book or two and are happy to donate, please can you send your book/s into school on **Weds 28th February**. Our PTFA will then run a stall on Friday 2nd March for your child to purchase a new book to read for a £1 donation.



Joint Chair : Mrs Louise Harrison & Mrs Kate Batty



Friday 16th March – Dress Down Day – Donation of an Easter Egg or bring £1.00 on the day to support our annual Bunny Basket Event.



Friday 23rd March – Bunny Baskets Bingo – If you haven't attended this event in the past then you are in for a treat! A family fun evening playing bingo with your child and win an Easter Egg or two or three! Hot dogs, snacks, hot and cold beverages available to purchase on the night. More info will be posted nearer the time, don't forget your pen!



April (TBC) - Gin Tasting Event – One for the “Grown Ups” – We are working with The Spread at Darrington to host a Gin Tasting Event. What a great way to start or end a term, relaxing, meeting new parents and learning a little about your favourite Gins. Tickets will be available to purchase through the PTFA and The Spread at Darrington. Date to be announced soon!

What a great term of activities we have in store so far and we really could not do any of this without the generosity and support of all the Parents and Teachers. Thank you!

The PTFA are full of ideas to help raise funds for the school however we are all busy working parents and our resources are stretched. If you feel you can spare some time and would like to join our friendly team please contact Louise Harrison on 07793600315 or Kate Batty on 07590 230486. It's a great way to meet parents and contribute towards your child's future education.

Kind Regards

Darrington PTFA