



# Welcome to our PTA

## End of Term Summer 2015 Newsletter!

### Hello Summer!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for another successful year's fundraising! The Christmas Bazaar and Sponsored Bounce have both been very successful and the Mother's Day gifts, Cinema Nights and Ice-Lolly sales have all helped us to raise vital funds for our school. To this end we have been able to purchase new video recording equipment so that we can film our school productions and other events and we have also invested in new sports equipment and other resources. If you want to find out more about what we do and why we do it, please join us at our next meeting on **Tuesday 8th September.**

### Sponsored Bounce

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Sponsored Bounce last month. Thanks to some energetic bouncing by the children and the generosity of their (your) friends and family, we have raised over £800. Thank you very much!



### Cinema Night

The children seemed to enjoy Big Hero 6 and we raised over £100 from our Cinema Night. Thank you for continuing to support these events.

### Ice Lollies!

Depending on the weather in September, we are hoping to continue selling ice lollies after school every Friday.



Don't forget to follow us on twitter; @PTA\_AllSouls



And like us on Facebook; All Souls PTA Page

[The PTA Group on Facebook is only for parents of children in All Souls' School. If you are not known to the group administrators, it may take a little time for us to confirm that you are a parent. Please bear with us!](#)

### Goodbye!

The very nature of the group is that it evolves as parents come and go as their children move up to secondary school. We will be losing a couple of very dedicated and committed Y6 parents this summer and it will be a great loss to the group. Michelle Wells & Anne McDermott have been with the PTA for many years and have given a lot of their time, energy and commitment to raising money for school. We will miss them and their enthusiasm! Paul Fennell has also served many years as PTA Treasurer and we thank him for all his support too.

**As of September 2015 the new team will include**

Chair	Siobhan Groom
Treasurer	Michelle Walsh
Secretary / Communications	Nikki Potter
Teacher Link	Mrs Quinn, Ms Croarken & Miss Quinn

**Plus many other valued parents who contribute in other equally important ways!**



## Easy Fundraising

Please, please, please sign up to this!

So far we have raised nearly £90, but there are only 9 of us doing it! Just think what we could achieve if a few more people signed up! Full details are on the school website, but it only takes a couple of minutes to set up and if you activate the donation reminder, you just need one click before you start shopping! It's as easy as that! It works on online grocery shopping & holidays too and doesn't cost you a penny more!

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> All Souls Catholic Primary School.

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## Textile Recycling Bin

Use our Textile Recycling Bin - the big blue one in the corner of the car park!

<http://www.uktextilerecycling.co.uk/> School receives commission per tonne for all the clothes, shoes and bedding etc. donated. Depending on their condition the textiles are either reused or recycled, so even the most worn and torn items can be of use! And it helps you get rid of clutter!

Since we started this we have raised nearly **£800** for the School Fund, just from old clothes, shoes and fabrics. Don't forget that we can recycle old worn out textiles as well - like worn out school shoes and old stained uniform that cannot be reused. Access to the bin will be available when the All Souls Summer Camp is running; w/c 27<sup>th</sup> July, 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 10<sup>th</sup> August & 17<sup>th</sup> August.

## Future plans

We have now purchased the new audio & video recording equipment and school have started the refurbishment of the library. We are also hoping to raise money so that we can invest in a new Reading Scheme and dictionaries, as well as new carpeting and air-conditioning. Why not join us at one of our meetings? We would particularly like to see parents of children in Y6 (from September) as this year is currently not represented by the existing PTA members.

**Next Meeting Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm in the Maudslay Pub!**

## Other Ways to Help

- Use Scholastic website when buying books <http://www.scholastic.co.uk/> 'Spend £10 or more with us and we'll give 20% of your order value back to your school in Scholastic Rewards to spend on books and resources.'
- Any old toys, books, dvds in **good condition**? Let school have a sort through before giving them to the charity shop!
- Do you have any out grown uniform in good condition? This can be donated back to school for other children to use.
- Recycle your old batteries. A box is in the main reception area.
- Do you or anyone you know have a business which would be prepared to donate raffle or auction prizes in exchange for a mention in our newsletter? Do you have a hidden or not so hidden talent we could benefit from? Can you make things? Bake things? Create things? Do you have any ideas you'd like to share?

**Thank you for taking time to read this newsletter and we look forward to hearing from you!**