

Woodgate Primary Academy PTA NEWSLETTER

October 2025



PTA Diary Dates - Autumn Term 2025



<i>Mon 27th to 31st Oct</i>	<i>Half Term</i>
Friday 7th November	Firecracker Fiesta
Friday 14th November	Children in Need themed tuck shop (Donations needed)
Thursday 27th November	Paint, Sip and Be Merry (Adult event - Candle Painting)
Friday 5th December	Mini Christmas Fayre
Nativity Dates TBC	PTA to serve refreshments prior to performance
Tue 16th December	Pantomime Trip to The Hawth Theatre (R, Years 1-6)
Fri 19th December	Reindeer Run for St Catherines & Bake Sale

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Welcome back for the new term!

Hello everyone, and a warm welcome to our first PTA newsletter of the half term! It's been lovely seeing so many new and familiar faces and we're excited for the months ahead.

The PTA is excited to be up and running again, and we're pleased to introduce our committee for the year ahead. A big thank you to everyone who attended our AGM and to those who have volunteered to continue or take on new roles - your support is what keeps everything we do possible.

A special welcome to Toby, our newest PTA member - we're thrilled to have him join the team!

We'd especially like to thank Nikki for her fantastic work as Treasurer over the past two years. While stepping down from the role, she will remain an active member of the PTA. We also warmly welcome Kayla as our new Treasurer — we're looking forward to another great year together!



Meet our PTA!

Join us for a cuppa
and a chat!



SAM B
Chairwoman



ANN-MARIE
Secretary



KAYLA
Treasurer



LEIGH



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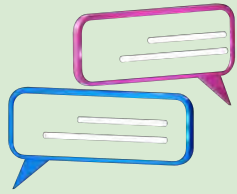


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Our children need you!

We're always looking for fresh ideas, helping hands, and friendly faces to join our PTA team. Whether you can spare an hour now and then, have a great idea for a fundraiser, or just want to get more involved in school life – we'd love to have you on board!

No experience needed – just enthusiasm! If you're interested, come and chat to one of us or drop us an email at woodgateprimarypta@gmail.com



Class Rep Recap!

Below is a recap of our Class reps for the year. They're a friendly point of contact if you have any questions or ideas throughout the year.

To help parents stay connected and up to date with class news, reminders, and events, we have WhatsApp groups for each class. These are a great way to share information quickly and support one another throughout the school year.

If you haven't joined already, please scan or click on the QR code to join!



Whitney

Nursery, Ladybirds



Georgia

Reception, Hedgehogs



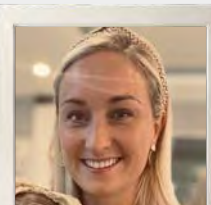
Leigh

Year 1, Woodpeckers



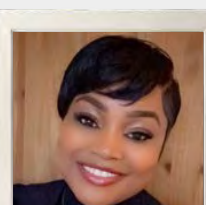
Kayla

Year 2, Squirrels



Abby

Years 3-4, Otters



Mary

Years 5-6, Foxes

Recent PTA Fund Allocations

To recap, our final fundraising profit total for the 2024-2025 year, was a mighty £7,473!! We should all be so proud of ourselves - Thank you so much for making this all possible!

This term, the PTA has been proud to support a number of exciting initiatives around the school, including:

-  **New Starters Gift:** We funded a new bookbag for the children and a small welcome gift for the parents of every child who started Reception this September. Sending a warm and cheerful welcome as they settle into their school journey!



-  **School Trips:** Similar to last year, the PTA will be contributing funds of £300 towards class trips this year, helping to make these exciting learning experiences more affordable for everyone.

Next month, our Squirrels class will be visiting Amberley Museum as part of their current topic of Technology. The museum offers a wonderful range of interactive exhibits, giving the children the chance to experience technology from the past and explore equipment and transport used over the last 100 years.

A real highlight will be a ride on the museum's steam train, bringing history to life in an exciting and memorable way!



Your support at events and fundraisers directly helps us do this - from coach transport to entry fees, every pound raised goes right back into enriching our children's education.

Recent PTA Fund Allocations (Continued)



A New Sandpit for Our OPAL Play Area: Over the summer holidays, an exciting new addition appeared on the school field — a fantastic new sandpit, built as part of our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) project!

The PTA funded a £2000 contribution to this wonderful new feature, with the amazing team at **O'Grady Plant and Tool Hire** bringing it to life. We're so grateful for their hard work in helping create such a brilliant space for the children!



We're also excited to share that the PTA is also helping to fund a £2500 contribution towards the school's upcoming Jigsaw programmes over the next three years for PSHE and RE.



These resources play a key role in supporting children's personal, social, and emotional development, as well as their understanding of values, wellbeing, and relationships.

By contributing to programmes like Jigsaw, we're helping the school continue to deliver high-quality, engaging lessons that support every child's growth - both inside and outside the classroom.



New After Half Term – Hot Chocolates at Tuck Shop!

We're adding something warm and delicious to our Friday tuck shop after half term - hot chocolate! As the weather gets colder, students can look forward to enjoying a cosy drink to end the week.

Hot chocolates will be available every Friday tuck shop. You will even be able to add cream and marshmallows as an extra treat.

We're excited to offer this warming Friday pick-me-up!



FIREWORK AND HALLOWEEN NIGHT AT CRAWLEY RFC



TICKET PRICES
CHILD (5-15 YRS): £6.00
ADULT: £9.00
FAMILY OF 4 (2 ADULTS + 2 CHILDREN): £25.00
FAMILY OF 5 (2 ADULTS + 3 CHILDREN): £30.00

**25
October**

UPCOMING EVENTS!



FIRECRACKER FIESTA KIDS' PARTY

Friday 7 November

Get ready to shine, sparkle, and dance! Our Firecracker Fiesta Kids' is happening on Friday 7th November, and it's set to be an evening full of fun, music, and celebration.

There'll be great tunes, colourful lights, games, and snacks — the perfect way for the children to enjoy a Friday night with their friends.

Times / Details:

Reception - Year 2

This party will be held from 3.15pm until 4.30pm.

Children are to wear usual school clothing for the day and bring their outfit to change before the party. Parents are welcome at 3.15pm to assist in changing, however children will get assistance from the PTA from 3:15 if you are unable to be here. Collection after the party will be like pick up at the end of the school day - At your child's classroom door at 4.30pm.

Year 3 - Year 6

This party will be held from 5.00pm until 6.15pm.

Please drop off through the front gate with hall access at 5:00pm. Collection after the party will be through the front gate with hall access at 6.15pm.

Theme: Fireworks & sparkle

Feel free to wear something bright or glittery!

Parents, if you can lend a hand, please reach out to the PTA.

Let's make this a brilliant, sparkling night for the children to remember! ✨



CHILDREN IN NEED BAKE SALE

Friday 14 November

We're excited to announce that our Friday tuck shop on Friday 14th November will have a special Children in Need-themed bake sale! Join us to help raise funds for this fantastic cause.

You can get involved by bringing along some change for a tasty treat or donating a bake – whether it's homemade or shop-bought, all contributions are warmly welcomed.

Let's come together to make a difference – every penny raised will go directly to Children in Need!



Paint, Sip and Be Merry - A Festive Fundraiser!

Calling all Adults! Join us for a wonderfully festive evening of creativity and cheer at our Paint, Sip & Be Merry event in the main school hall on **Thursday 27th November, from 6pm – 9pm.**

For just **£20**, you'll enjoy a relaxed, social evening where you can paint your very own Christmas pillar candle while sipping a drink and indulging in a delicious mince pie. All materials are provided, and other drink options are available too!

Spaces are limited and pre-booking is essential, so gather your friends and get into the Christmas spirit early. It's the perfect way to unwind, have fun, and support a great cause!

[Apply here](#) and we look forward to seeing you there!





Mini Christmas Fayre – Friday 5th December



We're excited to invite you to our Mini Christmas Fayre, taking place after school on **Friday 5th December!** Join us for a wonderfully festive afternoon filled with cheer, creativity, and community spirit.

There will be a fantastic range of stalls, including children's craft stalls showcasing their handmade creations as a class, as well as a variety of local stalls offering seasonal gifts and treats - perfect for a bit of Christmas shopping!

Refreshments will also be available, so you can enjoy a warm drink or a sweet treat while browsing.

If your child would like to apply for a stall, or if you run a small business and would like a stall, please [apply here](#).

Please note that spaces are limited due to the hall's capacity, so be sure to apply early to avoid disappointment! Come along, support our young crafters, and get into the festive spirit - we can't wait to see you there! 🎁 ✨



🤡 Oh yes it is! – Pantomime Trip to The Hawth to see
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs



TUESDAY 16TH DECEMBER!

We're excited to share that this December, the whole school will be heading to The Hawth Theatre for some festive fun at the Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs pantomime! The trip will take place on **Tuesday 16th December**, and we can't wait for a magical day filled with laughter, music, and Christmas cheer.

Due to a reduced coach cost this year, we are able to offer the trip at a lower price than last year. We are very happy to help make this special experience possible for every child.

We know this trip will be a real highlight of the term - a wonderful way to celebrate the festive season together as a school community.

So get ready for plenty of sparkle, songs, and shouts of "He's behind you!" — it's going to be a fantastic day out!

Please complete the [form and payments](#) by **Tuesday 18th November**.

If you would like your child to have a Chartwells packed lunch, please order by **Tuesday 2nd December**.

Thank you!



OPAL Play Update

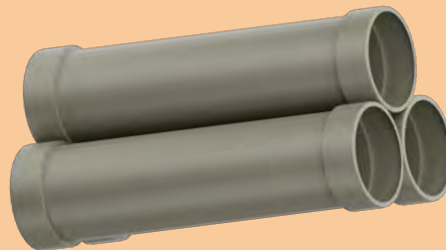
A big thank you to everyone who's donated items for our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) project — your support has made playtimes more creative, active, and fun! The children are loving the chance to build, imagine, and explore together.

We're still collecting suitable items, so please keep donations coming — every contribution helps keep our outdoor play exciting and full of possibilities!

Thank you again for helping make playtime such a joyful and enriching part of the school day!

Here is a recap on some of the materials we're currently looking for:

- Wheels
- Natural loose parts - sticks, pine cones, shells
- Suitcases
- Junk Modelling - toilet rolls, kitchen rolls, recycling materials
- Big cardboard boxes
- Tricycles
- Spades
- Buckets
- Traffic cones
- Chalks
- Planks of wood
- Ribbons
- Tents
- Play food
- Fabric (sheets/saris/curtains/blankets)
- Plastic crates
- Cuddly toys
- Pots and pans
- Wheelbarrows
- Pipes / Guttering
- Pallets
- Scooters
- Pegs (help make dens)
- Fabric (large sheets/brightly coloured fabric)
- Toy plastic animals
- Board games



Thank You!

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Pre-loved Uniform - Uniformerly

We are using Uniformerly, a convenient platform for buying, selling, and donating second-hand school uniforms within our community. This initiative promotes sustainability, reduces waste, and offers an affordable solution for managing uniform needs.

We encourage parents to donate any outgrown or unused uniform items to support this effort. However, please note that any uniform with a logo on must feature the newer blue and white Academy logo. (We will not be selling uniforms with the older blue and red school logo. By adopting Uniformerly, we aim to help families, foster environmental responsibility, and strengthen our school community.

We welcome used items that are clean and in good condition.

Please visit this link for further details!



[Woodgate Primary Uniformerly Page](#)



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- 1** Use the QR code right to install the **free** easyfundraising app
- 2** Use the app to find our PTA and **sign up** as a supporter
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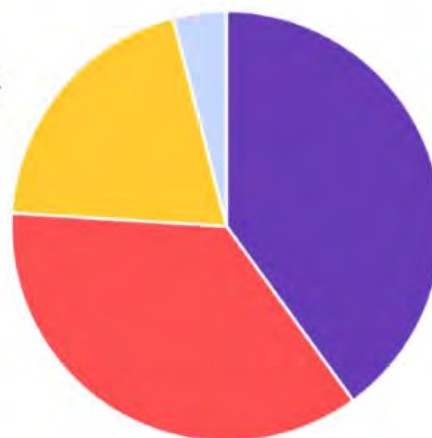
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- 40p** goes to our school
- 36p** goes to cash prizes
- 20p** goes to admin costs
- 4p** goes to VAT

How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Woodgate Primary Academy

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Woodgate Primary Academy

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means
= **£30 weekly cash prize**
= **£2,080 a year for our school**



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