



Trimley St Martin PTA Newsletter

July 2024

Beginning with immense gratitude for your support throughout this year. A new PTA team was formed in September 2023, and we are thrilled with the funds raised, which have already been utilised to buy items for the children.

We kicked off the year with a 'Guess how many Halloween treats' in the jar. We raised £44 and Eva and Skye won themselves a jar full of treats. Well done girls!

Next we ran our first disco which was a fantastic way to kick off Christmas celebrations. We raised a fantastic £684.80.

Moving into 2024 and another disco was in order for Valentines day raising an amazing £597.97.

Mothers Day in March and we organised and completed our first Mothers day market. A whopping 190 gifts were chosen and wrapped, raising an amazing £283.61.

Not missing out the men in our lives, we ran the Fathers day market. 129 gifts were selected by the children and wrapped and it raised £231.15.

Into the Summer term and what did the children want? A summer disco of course, which has been our biggest fundraiser yet, raising £761.09.

We were pleased to provide refreshments for Sports day and this raised a fantastic £146.36.

To finish the summer term 'Ice Pole Friday' has been a great way to end the week with a refreshing treat and it's helped us raise £157.40 so far with a day to go.

Where has the money raised gone?

The PTA money raised has so far this year bought:

- A range of maths games
- A set of 30 dictionaries
- 8 larger size school chairs
- New headphones and splitters
- 15 new Kindle Fire tablets so the children can each have their own for accelerated readings or TT Rockstars.
- A leavers autograph book has been purchased for each child in Year 6.
- Fabric has been bought to make cooking aprons.
- A sensory curtain and Lego therapy resources.



Trimley St Martin Christmas Tea towel

*** The children will be creating tea towels which will go on sale ready for Christmas - more details to follow.**



Upcoming events for the diary

Next term we are planning guess how many treats in the jar for Halloween which will be held in the playground the week commencing 21st October. £1 a guess and the winner gets the jar of treats!



Our first spooky disco will take place on Friday 18th October with tickets going on sale from 30th September. £4 a ticket, £3 for additional siblings.



6 reasons why the PTA really matters

1. Being active in the school PTA not only improves your child's school but makes you an excellent role model. When children see us involved in their learning and school, it encourages them to do their best.

2. Becoming part of the PTA is a great way to get to know other parents and teachers while gaining an insight into the workings of the school. With parents and teachers striving towards the same goals.

3. Whether its creating an outdoor classroom, stocking the stationary cupboard or arranging a visit to the museum, the funds raised from your activities impact massively on the opportunities and experiences of all the children at the school.

4. Being active in the PTA makes sure that parents/carers have a voice in how your school operates.

5. PTAs are brilliant for building relationships with the local community, from events and sponsorship from local businesses.

6. Every parent/carer has lots to offer the PTA, and whether its being on the committee, helping with events organising meetings, your talents will be put to good use.

If you would like to learn more about the PTA, please come along to our AGM meeting on Monday 16th September at 6.45pm, meeting in the school hall.



We would love to run a Trimley St Martin summer fair next year and already have a date in the diary, Saturday 5th July. We are looking for local bands to play, an outside bar, food stalls, outside business holders, emergency services, Scout groups, local dance and theatre groups to perform. We are already on the hunt to find some amazing raffle prizes to be won, but we **NEED YOUR HELP**, in order for this large event to take place **PLEASE!!!!** If you are able to offer your services or know anyone that could offer theirs for this event please contact us on

office@trimley-st-martin.suffolk.sch.uk

If you are a small business and would like to book a stall at the Summer Fayre (Please note these will be outside so you may need your own Gazebo and tables) please contact the PTA at office@trimley-st-martin.suffolk.sch.uk

This event can only go ahead with the support of our Trimley St Martin family, friends and community so please don't delay in contacting the team with offers of help. We want to make this event and enjoyable and fun filled day!!!!

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We update with reminders about up-coming event, newsletters and where the money raised is being spent.