

HEMYOCK PTFA NEWS

16TH NOVEMBER 2018



UPDATE

Since we last sent out a newsletter a lot has happened. We held the first of our biannual school discos, which included a mini-disco for Star class. It's safe to say, the discos were a success and we raised a fantastic £344.91! Well done to everyone involved, and a big thank you to all our helpers.

Mercury Class also held their bake-off and raised a whopping £120.16! We look forward to seeing what they would like to spend their money on. Neptune Class spent their class bake-off money this month on an app called Times Table Rockstar. This app won't just benefit year 5, it can also be used across the school. Thank you very much to all our parent helpers at the bake-off sales.

During this period we also sent out Christmas artwork. We would like to thank the teachers and parents for turning the orders around so quickly. The orders should be with us shortly and we will let you know as soon as we have a further update distribute them as soon as we are able to. Initial calculations show we have raised around £488 through these orders which is great, so thank you for ordering!

As we advised in the previous newsletter, the Bike Shed is almost ready to be used and the Chromebooks have arrived at school so students will start benefiting from these PTFA purchases shortly. As well as these purchases, we have agreed to support a school garden project which will be led by two parents at the school and Mrs Field. We should have more information about this shortly.

And finally this year we will be holding a PTFA Christmas meal at the Catherine wheel on 18th December, 7.30pm. Everyone's welcome! We are asking that meal options and a deposit of £10 be in by 2nd December. If you would like to attend, or would like more information, please contact hemyockptfa@gmail.com

BINGO

This year's Bingo will take place tomorrow, 17th November at the Village Hall. We hope you have all seen our posters up around the village or our posts on Facebook and that we will see you there. The doors will be open from 6.30pm and eye's down at 7pm - this is a family friendly bingo so please bring along the family! There will be 12 games during the night with 10 opportunities to win Chicken dinners and 2 cash prize games. As well as the bingo, we also have a great raffle, where you can win things such as;

- Family day pass to Butlins
- £10 Tony Pryce voucher
- Waterstones book bundles
- Chocolates
- Wine
- Bodyshop samples and makeover voucher
- Cushion from Scissor Happy
- Candles
- Nivea Gift Pack



DATES FOR THE DIARY

The Committee have been working hard to get some additional events booked in the diary, in addition to the discos and this week's Family Bingo Night. All the upcoming dates are below and we look forward to seeing you there!

- 17th November - Bingo - 6.30pm - Village Hall
- 19th & 26th November - Christmas Craft Club
- 23rd November - Saturn Class, Year 4 Bake Off Sale - 3.30pm - School playground
- 30th November - PTFA Non-Uniform Day in conjunction with Christmas House Day - £1 donation
- 11th December - Christmas Craft sale - 3.30pm, school hall/playground (additional sales will take place on 12th December if we have products left)
- 12th December - Quiz - 7.30pm - Hemyock Village Hall

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CHRISTMAS

For some of you, it might be too soon to mention Christmas! However, your PTFA team have been thinking about it for a while! During the weeks leading up to Christmas, we have lots of exciting things planned. Here's a bit more information about what's going on...

Christmas Raffle

Every year the PTFA run a Christmas raffle and this year is no exception. Raffle tickets will be sent out shortly in your children's school bags. Tickets will be for you to purchase and/or to sell to family, friends and neighbours. The winners will be drawn at the KS1 Nativity on Tuesday 11th December. This year we have some great prizes to win;

1st Prize - Luxury Hamper

2nd Prize - £50 Boden Voucher

Runners Up:

- Food and Drinks Hamper
- £10 Hotel Chocolate Voucher
- £10 Tony Pryce Voucher

Christmas Tree

As well as the Christmas Raffle, Connetts Farm have kindly donated a 7ft Christmas tree to the school. To ensure that the tree has a home for Christmas and won't just be left alone in the school hall we will be holding a raffle for someone to win the tree! Raffle tickets to win the tree will be sold in the school playground on 12th December at 3.30pm and 5.15pm and the draw will also take place on 12th December, at the evening performance of the Nativity.

Christmas Crafts Sale

There will be a Christmas Craft sale on Tuesday 11th December at 3.30pm in the playground. All items will have been made by the year 5 & 6 students who have taken part in our Christmas Craft Club. (There may be a further sale after the evening performance of the Nativity on 12th December - if there is anything left!).

Christmas House Day/Non-Uniform Day

On 30th November, as part of Christmas House Day, we will be asking for donations (£1) for children to wear non-uniform. The monies raised will go towards the Luxury Hamper in our Christmas raffle.

Finally, the PTFA will also be selling hot drinks and mince pies on Christmas House Day and at both of the Nativities.

COMMITTEE MEETING DATES...

- Monday - 26th November - 7.30pm
- Thursday - 10th January - 7.30pm
- Monday 4th February - 7.30pm
- Thursday 7th March - 7.30pm

All meetings held at the Catherine Wheel Pub

THANK YOU...

On 5th November the PTFA started its new Christmas Craft Club. This club is running for a total of 4 sessions with students from Years 5 & 6. Items made from the sessions will then be sold on 11th December after school to raise funds for the PTFA. This Craft Club has been set up and run by one of our PTFA committee members, Rachel Johnson. We would like to say a big thank you to Rachel for organising this, and to her team of helpers - Fiona Pullen, Richard & Alison Whiteside and Khendra Porter. The club is a great addition to the events we run and we can't wait to see the final products!

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