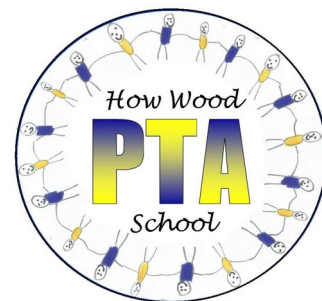


PTA Newsletter Autumn 2017



Dear Parents, welcome to the How Wood School PTA Newsletter.

Your Current PTA Members

Chair - **Sarah Lennox** (Mum to Lucie Yr3 & Logan Yr1)

Treasurer - **Barbara Auton Lock** (Mum to Gaby Yr1)

Secretary - **Caroline Barr** (Mum to Henry Yr2 & Thomas YrR)

Claire Garman (Mum to Isobel Yr5 & Joe Yr2)

Tina Knowles (Mum to Bethany Yr4 & Ciaran Yr2)

Jackie Dingwall (Mum to Jack Yr3)

Michelle Karpus (Mum to Lydia Yr2 & Ben YrR)

Kate Winn (Mum to Lottie YrR)

Jules Myers (Mum to Oliver Yr1)

Liz Arnold (Mum to Archie YrR)

A Message from the Chair

We would like to welcome everyone back to the new school year and hope that you have all had a relaxing summer break.

I would firstly like to say a huge thank you to our outgoing chair, Claire Garman. As I'm sure you will all agree she has been a fantastic chair and we thank her for her enthusiasm, dedication, hard work and leadership over the past two years. I will have big shoes to fill as incoming chair but I am sure that we will continue to work hard as a team to raise vital funds for your school and children.

We wanted to give you a quick update as to totals raised through events in the Summer Term and also let you know of some upcoming events that we hope will be great fun for the children and parents alike. We held some very successful events during the summer term, raising the following totals;

Kids on the Catwalk show £100 Bag2school drop £200

Car boot sale £100 Summer Fayre £2900

Thanks to the generosity of our parents and families, the fundraising total for the last academic year was an amazing **£9000!**

Out of this total the PTA has given to the school over **£6700** towards the EYFS refurbishment, school/class trips, new staging and Yr6 Yearbooks. I'm sure you will agree that this is a fantastic achievement and with future fundraising we hope to upgrade the schools outdoor environment.

We are currently busy organising some great events and activities for this term which we hope you will all enjoy!


A **Copper trail challenge** starting in October, so get saving those pennies!

A **Halloween themed Party** is being held after school on Tuesday 31st October. Details will be sent out in book bags soon so please return completed forms and monies to the school office ASAP to reserve a place.

We have also booked another **Family Photo Shoot** day, with local photographer Wendy Gill, on Sunday 12th November. Wendy will be running 15 minute photo shoot slots. This was a very popular event in the past so make sure you keep an eye out for the information we will be sending out nearer the time.

Our **Christmas Fayre** will be held on Saturday 2nd December from 12-3pm. We look forward to seeing you all there for an enjoyable afternoon with some great Christmas stalls and games, Santa's Grotto, mince pies, mulled wine plus many more besides. In order to make this a success, we need your help!! If you are able to give just 45 minutes of your time then please email or message us via Facebook, it will mean we can run more stalls & games for the children to enjoy.

Communication to and from the PTA

- Termly Newsletters along with information in the School Newsletters
- Like  our **How Wood School PTA** Facebook page for information regarding events and fundraising activities
- Email us at pta@howwood.herts.sch.uk

Interested in finding out more?

You are always very welcome to come along to one of our meetings to see first-hand what your PTA is all about. New members are always valued and your help is what makes the PTA a success. If you are interested in finding out more please get in touch by either catching us in the playground, messaging via Facebook or by emailing pta@howwood.herts.sch.uk we would love to hear from you!

PTA Calendar of Events

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
September							
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	25	26	27	28	29 Parent assembly Yr 6	30	
October							1
	2 Copper Trail start	3	4	5	6	7	8
	9	10	11 Harvest assembly	12	13 Parent assembly Yr 5	14	15
	16 Copper Trail end	17 Parent Consultations	18 Parent Consultations	19	20	21	22
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	30	31 Halloween Party					
November			1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10 Parent assembly Yr 4	11	12 Photo Shoot
	13	14	15	16	17 Anti bullying day	18	19
	20	21	22	23	24 Parent assembly Yr 3	25	26
	27 Occasional day	28	29	30			
December					1	2 Xmas Fayre	3
	4	5 Christmas Carol Service	6	7	8 Whole School Pantomime	9	10
	11	12	13	14 Christmas lunch	15	16	17
	18 Class parties	19 end of term	20	21	22	23	24
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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