

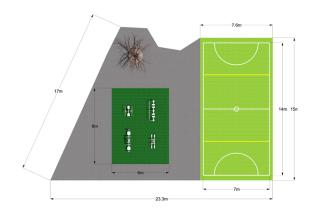
PAKSA Newsletter

Spring 2019

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone for all your recent support – making and buying cakes; donating items for the Christmas Fair; helping with and coming along to the Christmas Movie Morning and Discos.

We have been able to give the school £8,000, which has enabled them to go ahead with the new playground project. This wouldn't have been possible without your help. Thank you!



Next fundraising goals – IT equipment and a playground sunshade.

UPCOMING EVENTS

22 MARCH

Cake Sale (Yr 3 & 4 providing cakes)

05 APRIL

Second-hand Book Sale

05 APRIL

Easter Egg Treasure Hunt launches!

26 MARCH

PAKSA meeting. 8pm The Foresters

How you can help

We need your continual support to achieve this next fundraising goal. Events can only run if we have support from as many people as possible. We have the Summer Fair coming up (on Saturday 29th June), which takes a herculean effort to organise, set up and run. The Summer Fair is one of our key fundraisers in the year. Please help where you can.

Our next PAKSA meeting, on 26 March, will be to start planning the Summer Fair. Please come if you can. Or, if you're unable to make the meeting but would like to help, please email paksa@plaistowkirdford.com. Thank you.

If you have a group of friends who would like to organise something to help the school just let PAKSA know. This is how events such as Under One Sky started and they are great fun.

Would you like to join the PAKSA committee?

Debs Watkins is sadly stepping down as Joint Chair of PAKSA. Huge thanks for all your work.

It would be great to have someone join as Joint Chair, Vice Chair or Secretary.

3 Great Reasons to get More Involved!

- 1. It's great for the kids! When children see us involved in their school, it encourages them to do their best.
- 2. Make new friends! It's a great way to get to know other parents.
- 3. Helping to contribute to make our school the best it can be and bringing the school together as a community.

Events Survey - Results

Thank you for taking part in our Events Survey earlier in the year. 55 people completed the survey and we thought you might be interested in seeing some of the results.

Other event suggestions included:

Fun run;

Country dancing/ disco for adults;

Art evening;

Family forest school/ gardening;

Beer event;

Children v Teachers sports matches;

Karaoke night;

Beetle drive/ Race night;

Christmas party for parents.

Black tie dinner;

Team/ community building.

Why?!

Whilst most of PAKSA's work focuses on fundraising, there is also an important social aspect. Events are organised to promote the sociability of school life and to involve the wider community.

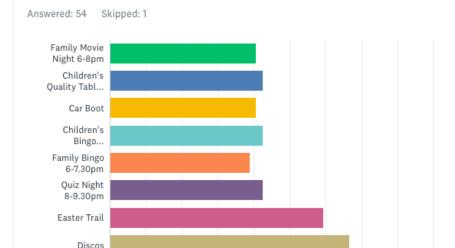
Where does the money go?

PAKSA funds enable the school to make some big purchases that may otherwise not be available to our children — interactive whiteboards for every class, the library, Bertie's Boat, the new playground. Did you know that PAKSA funded the Reception building?

PAKSA also pays for lots of smaller things – Reception bookbags, Year 6 Leaving Hoodies, Water Bottles, Dictionaries for every classs, Christmas Panto, resources for Art Week.

Our school relies on fundraising to provide a lot of the 'extras' and to help secure provisions for our children now and in the future.

What sort of PAKSA events would you come to? (Select all that ...



Would you like to help organise an event?

10%

Yes -26% No -37% Maybe -37%

Would you help to volunteer at an event?

Yes - 58% No - 15% Maybe - 27%

Would you prefer PAKSA to stick to Fairs and Cake Sales?

Yes – 22% No – 44% Don't Know – 34%

Fundraising Update

September Cake Sale £139.20

October Cake Sale £106

Christmas Fair £3,455.18

Christmas Movie Morning £107

Christmas Cards £168

Nativity Refreshments & Donations £54.48

Nativity DVDs -£120

January Cake Sale £99

Discos £402

Next term...

60%

90%

25 April 1st Community Choir Rehearsal

10 May Cake Sale (Yr1 & 5)

19 May Community Choir Concert

21 June Under One Sky

29 June Summer Fair

12 July Rounders

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