

Newsletter

Happy New Year from the PTFA. It has been a good start to the school year and the last two terms have been extremely busy for the PTFA. We have had lots of events and fundraisers and you have raised over a huge £2000! Thank you!

First of this year's discos



Disco

The year started well for us, with the usual whole school disco. All the children enjoyed themselves and the glow rings were even more popular than the glow sticks! The next disco will be held on Thursday 8th February. Watch this space for details.

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

This year's AGM was held early in the first term. While Louise Rogers remains as chair, the co-chair changed hands to Amanda Mortlock and the role of treasurer was passed to Nicola Griffiths. Ana Uylatt has stepped down but remains the vice treasurer. Mr Brunt took time to thank all PTFA members for all their help to raise funds over the past year. Last year's events and takings were discussed, as was what monies should be spent on. It was decided that we would provide more books for the library, PA sound system, a CD player to aid learning in KS1. The fabulous mural in the library was funded by the PTFA.

Bonfire Night

PTFA volunteers held a sweet stall at the Bourne Town Fireworks event. Thank you to everyone who supported us.



Bonfire night goodies

Christmas Cards

Last term, the children worked hard to produce personalised Christmas cards. You supported this fundraiser well. While we know most of you were happy with the results, some were not. We can only apologise for this. The supplier says that there was a problem with the printing machines. If anyone wishes to return cards, they will be reimbursed. It goes without saying, we will be sourcing a new supplier for next year's Christmas cards.

Regular Earners

Fruity Friday and the school lottery continue to run. From now on, we will be announcing each week's winner of the Saturday night draw. Remember, anyone can play and all the profits come back to school via the PTFA. You have to be in it to win it, so join TODAY! Look up www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Elsea Park.

Last term, we added Scholastics book club to the list of regular earners. We hope that, as it goes forward, you are able to find some fabulous deals with them. Please order through the school, which in turn will enable the school library to grow.

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Christmas Events

Christmas was the busiest time for us. We were overwhelmed by the response of donations for the chocolate tombola, held at the Christmas Market in our community centre. Thank you. On the day, it was as popular as ever.

After last year's success with the surprise gifts of books for the children at Christmas, the PTFA decided we would do the same this year. Each child received a book, on the last day of school before Christmas. We hope that all the children have enjoyed reading them.

This year, the PTFA arranged for the school to participate in National Christmas Jumper day. It happened to fall on the last day of term and made us feel all the more festive. Donations made raised £30.02 for charity. Thank you.

Last terms biggest event by far was the Christmas Fayre. It was opened by a brilliant performance, from the school choir. The event was extremely well attended this year – thank you for your support! We hope you enjoyed the range of stalls on offer, and that your children had fun on all the games. The tinsel pull proved to be the favourite game again this year! Huge thanks to The Co-Op for their donations and volunteers, who helped out on the day. Thank you, also, to all the businesses who donated such wonderful prizes for this year's raffle.



Our Team

As always, we are asking for new volunteers to join our brilliant PTFA team. Come along to the next meeting or email PTFAelseapark@gmail.com to find out more. We hope some of you will join us soon.

Termly Takings

Fruity Friday - £108.91

Christmas Fayre - £468.80

Chocolate Tombola - £ 320.00

Scholastics Books – £45 Library voucher

Christmas Cards - £388.60

Disco - £397.00

Bonfire Night - £159.00

Lottery - £130

Once again, thank you for supporting all the events, big or small, we hold for fundraising for the school. It is greatly appreciated and wonderful to know we are part of such a brilliant school community!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Valentine's Whole School Disco –
Thursday 8th February, 4.45-5.45 p.m.

PTFA Meeting – Thursday 22nd February

