



Aldryngton School PTA

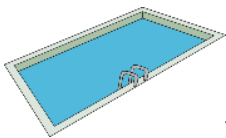
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PTA SUMMER NEWS - 2015

The PTA Committee share your disappointment that the Summer Fayre has been cancelled this year. We would like to reassure you and your children that we looked at alternative dates when we could have held it but there was no suitable space in the school calendar. It was not an easy decision to make! But we still have the following exciting events to look forward to, all of which require your help and support.



*"It wouldn't be summer
without the Pool Club"*

Thank you to all the families who have registered for Pool Club membership this year – we have 66 families signed up! Being a pool club member is a brilliant way for your children to enjoy playing with friends, in a safe environment, as well as continuing the provision of the pool, benefiting all pupils.

A reminder that the 2015 **Pool Club season will run from Tuesday 26 May until Friday 4 September**. The Pool Club is open after school from 3:30 pm to 5 pm on school days and on Saturday afternoons and weekdays in school holidays from 2 pm to 5 pm.

The Pool Club will be closed on the days of the Try-a-Tri (Saturday 27 June), School Sports Day (Friday 10 July) and Year 6 Leavers Party (Monday 20th July). The Pool will be partially closed on the afternoon of the Jubilee Picnic (Wednesday 17th June) – it will be available from 4.15pm for non rota swimming.

Michaela Thomas will email all registered Pool Club Members on Friday 22nd May confirming details and arrangements as necessary. Liz Parsons will email all Pool Club Members with the first two weeks of rotas. Any queries please email pool@aldryngtonpta.com

Jubilee Picnic

Following the recent decision to cancel this year's summer fayre the PTA have offered to enhance the Jubilee Picnic on **Wednesday 17th June**. We would like to serve refreshments and provide a number of fayre type activities for everyone to enjoy from 2.15pm, the fun can continue until 4.15pm.

Upper School children will also be running their Upper School stalls!

All children and parents are invited to bring some spending money to take part in the games on offer. In addition to the US stalls there will be Splat the Rat, Hook a Duck, Coconut Shy, Skittles, Quoits and more!

The PTA can only achieve this if we get sufficient parent volunteers to help set up, run stalls and help tidy away. We will need a group of 20 or so parents to make it possible - so if you can help run a stall or offer support in any way between 2pm and 4.30pm please email pta@aldryngtonpta.com

Also, a reminder that if your employer can offer matched funding for this event please contact us.

Friday 26th June will be **non school uniform day** – pay £1. Also on **Friday 26th June** we will hold a **2p trail**, if all children could bring some copper coins to school we will attempt to circle the school buildings with 2p coins.

Try-a-Tri 27th June

Please keep your Try-a-Tri registration forms coming in – deadline Friday 5th June. This is a logistically complex event, its success depends on having sufficient help from a large number of parents before and during the event. We are grateful for the offers of help received so far. But we require many more, if you are able to assist please email committee@aldryngtonpta.com. All volunteers will be able to watch their own children compete so please help if you can. In particular we need volunteers to ... help set up on Friday 26th June between 4.30pm and 7pm or for as long/little as you can ** a parent volunteer to act as nominated first aider(s) for the event ** a parent to approach local companies for cash/sponsorship donations ** several marshals ** a volunteer to take photos at the finish line ** several volunteers to help clear up after the event ** we also need some gas BBQs so if you have one we could borrow for the day we'd be grateful if you'd get in touch. Finally, we really want to hear from any Lower School parents who would be interested in shadowing the event organisers this year with a view to assuming responsibility for the Try-a-Tri in the future - the current organisers have run the event for 5 years now and will be looking to hand over the reins in the near future! **We look forward to hearing from those of you that can help!** John Thompson, Kirsty Scott & Caroline Hallam-Baker (Try-a-Tri Team)