



Aldryngton PTA Event Contacts

Below is a list of the regular events and the parent representative who leads it:

Christmas Cards – Rhona Phipps: Around October time all children are invited to design a Christmas Card which can be printed and purchased by the pack to help raise money for the PTA.

Wrap-a-Present – Alice Peacock & Michaela Thomas: usually held the first week in December, this very popular event takes place during the school day and gives children the opportunity to buy, wrap and tag Christmas presents for their family and friends.

Christmas Fayre – Simon Feist & Philip Byrne & various others: traditional Christmas stalls, craft activities, tombola, Santa's Grotto, face painting, bric-a-brac, games, food with an international flavour, raffles and Grand Draw. Usually held on the first Saturday in December.

Summer Fayre – Simon Feist & Philip Byrne & various others: seasonal stalls and activities in the school grounds, games, food, music and various activities for all the family!

Happy's Circus – Simon Feist & Philip Byrne: every third year the Summer Fayre is combined with a visit from the Circus, hundreds of children and their families enjoy the impressive show in a Big Top on the school field - the next time the circus will be visiting the school will be Summer 2017.

Try-a-Tri – John Thompson, Kirsty Scott, Caroline Windley: Every summer each Aldryngton child is invited to team up with two of their friends and take part in a mini-triathlon. This is a popular event and enjoyed by everyone involved.

School Discos – Catherine Maskell & Helen Barnes: currently these are held once a term, usually October, February and May. Foundation & Lower School 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Middle & Upper School 7.15pm – 8.30pm. The children look forward to each school disco and have lots of fun partying away with DJ Vern!

Quiz Nights & Bingo Nights – Simon Feist, Philip Byrne, Michaela Thomas: Usually one of each are held once per year, usually in the Autumn and Spring terms. Popular family orientated events.

Parent Creche – Michaela Thomas: A licenced bar held at the same time as the discos, located in the separate middle school classroom serving refreshments and snacks to parents who wish to wait on site while their children attend the discos. This has proven popular with some parents as it provides an opportunity for them to sit and chat with other parents while their children party in the hall.

Pool Club – Michaela Thomas, Kirsty Scott, Ian Parsons, Liz Parsons: throughout the summer from the end of May to early September, Aldryngton families can join the pool club. Members can enjoy the school's heated outdoor swimming pool. The income helps make it possible for the school to provide swimming lessons for all children in years 1 – 6 throughout the second half of the summer term. Membership details and joining instructions are available on the PTA web pages and go live in the Spring Term.

Class Cake Sales – Anna Neffendorf: every class holds a sale of home-made and shop bought cakes to raise money for their class – the class pupils and their teacher discuss between themselves and decide how the money should be spent!

Grounds Working Parties – School Office Julia Franks: parents and children come together several times a year, usually on a Saturday morning to help improve the school grounds. Recent activities have included building a bottle greenhouse, repainting the swimming pool mural and fencing but also lots of other jobs like litter picking, weeding, planting etc.

Second Hand Uniform Sales – Vicky Adams: we are lucky to receive donations of good quality re-usable 2nd hand uniform from parents or through unclaimed lost property. A full list of the stock available can be found on the PTA web pages of the school website. Garments are washed, ironed and available for sale. Sales take place after school several times a year including parents evenings which provide an opportunity to browse and buy but uniform can be purchased at any time by emailing the 2nd hand uniform representative via the link on the web pages.

PTA Communications – Michaela Thomas: Update of website, Facebook and PTA Newsletters etc.

IT, Music & PA System – Simon Windisch: Set up and man at all of the larger events such as Fayres, Quiz, Bingo.