



Aldryngton School PTA

Supporting your child's education

Registered Charity: no 1026094

PTA News

Nov 2021

Autumn Term 2021

Your PTA Officers for 2021/22:

Chair – Kate Johnson & Freya O'Mara
Vice Chair – Priya Gupta & Lisa (Qiuo) Ying
Secretary – Sarah Byrne & Sara Deadman
Treasurer – David Spedding & Hemant Khanna

Upcoming Events:

Volunteers will be needed for all our upcoming events, so please watch out for information, and sign up if you are able to.

Anil's Reading Half Marathon run for Aldryngton PTA.

The crowdfunder will close on 25th November if you would like to make a donation:



<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/half-marathon-run-for-aldryngton-pta>

Second Hand Uniform

There will be a second hand uniform sale on **Wednesday 17th November** after school. Alternatively, you can email uniform@aldryngtonpta.com to arrange purchases.

Neon Disco - £3 Entry

Thursday 18th November.

5:30 – 6:15: Foundation & Lower School

6:30 – 7:15: Middle School

7:30 – 8:30: Upper School

On the night of the school disco, we will be offering a **Family Lounge in Middle School from 5:30 until 8:30**. The family lounge is a place for parents and siblings to wait on site for their disco-goers. We will be selling a variety of snacks and drinks including a licensed bar. With the current Covid restrictions, we will be using all three Middle School classrooms and limiting the numbers on the evening to reduce crowding. Access will be first come first served.

Wrap-a-present

The wrap a present event will take place week commencing **22nd November**.



Mon 22nd Nov – Foundation Stage
Tues 23rd Nov – Lower School
Wed 24th Nov – Middle School
Thurs 25th Nov - Upper School

Children can buy and wrap (with help) presents for family and friends. Most gifts are priced between £1.50 and £5.00 each. Sales will take place in the afternoon during the assigned day. We suggest parents talk to their child beforehand about how much money they can spend and who they should try to buy a gift for. We also suggest children bring in a named carrier bag to help them carry their purchases as often there are too many to carry!

The PTA are asking for parents to kindly donate wrapping paper, gift tags, bubble wrap and carrier bags for this event. A large collection box will be located in the Gazebo from **Monday 15th November** specifically for these items, please place anything you have in the box.

If you have any questions please email wap@aldryngtonpta.com

School Christmas Tree

Every year the PTA help to decorate the Christmas Tree in the school hall, this is planned for **Thursday 2nd Dec**. Please watch out for details of how to get involved.

Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 3rd Dec children will be able to wear their own clothes for £1 donation to the PTA.



Christmas Fayre

We are planning an outdoor Christmas Fayre on **Saturday 4th December**. There will be games, gifts and food stalls. We need lots of helpers to set up and run the stalls, if you can help please sign up via the link sent via ParentMail 8th Nov.



Santa's Virtual Grotto



Times will be available on the weekend of 11th December for your children to have a video call with Santa. Please look out for more details nearer the time.

Happy's Circus, will be returning to Aldryngton on **Friday 22nd April 2022**. Save the date!



Online Shopping

There are thousands of retailers who donate a percentage of your online shop to your chosen charity. Please register via the Easyfundraising page and set

easyfundraising
.org.uk

Aldryngton PTA as your chosen charity, then every time you shop online via the Easyfundraising page you will be raising money for our school.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/aldryngtonpta/>

smile.amazon.co.uk
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Another way for us to earn commission from online shopping is with Amazon via Amazon Smile. Log on to smile.amazon.co.uk and select Aldryngton County Primary School PTA as your chosen charity. The PTA will automatically receive 0.5% of the net purchase price. Remember, always start at smile.amazon.co.uk for your purchases to qualify.

Fundraising Summary

2nd Hand Uniform - £163
Try-a-Tri - £1,462
Non-Uniform Day - £245



Thank you to everyone who took part, donate and organised these events.



**Match
Funding**

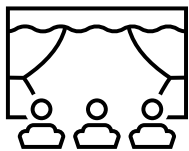
Hundreds of organisations in the UK offer their employees the chance to boost individual fundraising efforts by 'matching' the money raised for their chosen charity.

We already benefit from match funding arranged by a few of our parents through their employers including Thames Water, Vodafone, Microsoft and Sky.

If you work for a company that could offer match-funding, please make yourself known to us. If you're not sure if your employer offers a match funding scheme please contact your HR department.

For more information, please email the PTA

School Funding



The PTA has paid for the Panto for the children at school scheduled for 15th Dec.

In September, the pool changing room windows were replaced ready for the winter, and for pool users next summer. Here are the before and after shots.



We will be collecting all foreign currency new and old including old British coins and notes. When we are able to collect again, the collection bucket will be situated in the school office foyer.



If you would like to join the facebook closed group for parents with a child at Aldryngton please locate the group and request to join. The name is: **Parents of Aldryngton Primary School Reading.**

We all know how important it is to ensure our child's possessions are named. When buying labels for school uniform and other personal items, please use one of the following schemes. In doing so you will help raise free funds for our school.



www.easy2name.com will give us a 20% commission on all orders. Quote Aldryngton School PTA RG6 at checkout.



www.stamptastic.co.uk you can buy a personalised stamp usable on most fabrics, metal & some plastics. No more sewing or ironing on labels. Stampastic offer up to 25% commission on orders. Just use our PTA Code RG67HR at the checkout.