

PTA Newsletter

The heart of the community voice for parents, children and staff of St James' Primary School

On your marks for our Sponsored Gallop!!!

Infants: Tuesday 13th March Juniors: Wednesday 14th March

Please keep collecting sponsorship money so that your children can raise as much money as possible while they have a great time running and jumping round our fun obstacle course next week.

Please either complete the form that came home in book bags or ask people to donate online through **My Donate**. It's crucial to ask them to provide all the information required, especially if they can add to the donation with **Gift Aid**, providing an extra 25p per £1 donated!! This can make such a massive difference to the total! (Full name, address and postcode MUST be provided for us to claim).

<https://mydonate.bt.com/charities/stjamesprimaryschoolpta>

Urgent – Parent helpers required:

Still looking for parent helpers on both days from 8.30am-1pm to set up, marshal and provide refreshments to the children. Please email Rose at rerudd@hotmail.com if you can help.

Please ensure all sponsorship forms are completed and posted into the black PTA post box in the foyer by Monday 26th March. Thank you!



PTA NEWS!!!

We have a few pieces of exciting news to share with you!

Website launch – Yesterday (by school email) we launched a brand new PTA Events website for St James.

www.pta-events.co.uk/stjamespta

Every parent is invited to sign up and use this site to view all our upcoming PTA events, volunteer to help, and make online payments for selected events including; Popcorn Clubs, Summer Splash, and our adult only events. This is a great way to simplify the process, and puts you in control to view it when it suits you.

As part of this we have had a price review and due to increased costs of supplies, some ticket prices have risen by a maximum of 50p.

PTA Treasurers – Thanks to everyone who responded to our urgent plea for help for a new Treasurer. We are very pleased and relieved to say that a husband and wife team has been found to fulfil this role from July, and we also have two new PTA Planning Committee members. We look forward to welcoming them all at our next PTA meeting!

School Website – Thanks to the lovely Mrs Harford we now also have an informative PTA page on the school website too!

<http://stjamescofeprimary.co.uk/st-james-pta/>

Please note: We are no longer able to accept old £1 coins and £10 notes.

PTA Meeting

Tuesday 20th March, 7.20pm for a 7.30pm start in School staffroom

Our meetings are an opportunity to have your say on fundraising and the opportunities and benefits we can help provide for your children at school. New parents and ideas are always welcome!

Easter Cake Sale

Wednesday 21st March, 3pm

It's time to get cracking on baking (or buying ... shhh!) some eggstatic creations for our next cake sale. Please bring your donations to the foyer at 8.30am on the morning of the sale. Cake tins will be in the foyer to collect the following day.

Helpers are needed from 2.15-3.30pm for the cake sale, so please email Rose if you can help out. Thank you! ☺



Popcorn Clubs

Junior Club: Y2-Y6 – Friday 20th April, 3-5pm
Paddington 2 (PG)

Infant Club: Rec-Y2 – Friday 27th April, 3-5pm
Despicable Me 3 (PG)

These are PTA supervised private showings of a film on the 3m screen in the main hall, with a drink and bag of popcorn (or biscuits if preferred). PTA helpers collect your child from their classroom at 3pm, so you only need to collect them from the foyer at 5pm.

This is where our new website comes into action, so please register now to be able to buy your tickets, and you'll receive an email confirmation to let you know your child has a place.

Tickets are £4 and sold through the St James PTA Events website up until 3pm the day before the event or they sell out, whichever is first. Information collected for the event is the same as we'd normally collect on the paper forms. Entry is strictly limited to current St James school children in the correct year groups only.

Helpers are needed for these Popcorn Clubs, so please either volunteer on the website when you book your tickets or let Rose or Tessa know if you can help. Thanks.



Coming up shortly...

Great St James Bake Off & Cake Sale

Monday 23rd April, 8.30am with a cake sale at 3pm.
Year group competition categories coming soon!

Bag2School Textile Collection

Friday 27th April, 8.35am
Collection bags will be coming home soon.

Have fun tonight at the discos!!!

To be added to the PTA helpers list, please contact Rose by emailing her at rerudd@hotmail.com



Your input matters to every child in our school!



Keep up-to-date with our latest news and events by joining our secret Facebook group. Just search for SJP PTA.