



AUTUMN EDITION 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

List of main events but smaller ones will be planned ad hoc

28 NOV – 02 DEC

Donation for Yuletide



02 DECEMBER

Non-Uniform day
St Paul's Yuletide



25 MARCH

Easter Bingo



17 MAY

St Paul's & Walter's Circus



17 JUNE

Summer Fair



FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Below an overview of what we have raised in 2021/2022.

Doughnut sale	£157
Xmas Raffle & Tombola	£1166
Bag2School	£126
Bake Sale	£289
Disco	£891
Summer Fair	£2741
Frozen Fridays	£279
Amazon Smile	£44

CAN YOU HELP?

- Help us out at an event or prepare for one?
- Do you have any fundraising ideas?
- Speak to your employer to see if they will kindly donate a price for a raffle?
- Does your company offer Match Funding?
- Follow us on social media and spread the word!

ST PAUL'S PTA NEWS

Welcome to our first newsletter for this school year. A special welcome to those parents who are new to the school this term. After Covid lockdowns we started slowly last year but we got the PTA back up and running and with your support managed to raise funds which will really help the school. Hopefully you all had some fun in the process too!

We held our AGM in October, thanks to those who attended. Read on to see how much money has been raised over the last year, how some of it has been used and what we have planned for this year!

Thank you to all volunteers, parents, teachers, children, and staff who make our fundraising achievements possible! Together we raised over £5000!!!

Meet the new Team

Following our AGM in October, we are pleased to announce our committee members:

- **Chair:** Katleen Nixon (elected) - Y6 parent
- **Vice-chair:** Prajakta Kataria (elected) - Y5 parent
- **Treasurer:** Yogita Mistry (remains) - Y6 parent
- **Secretary:** Jenny Littleford (remains) - Y6 parent
- **Vice-Secretary:** Charlotte Willcox (joined) - Y6 parent

Thank you Divya for all your efforts as chair over the last few years.

Many of you have joined our PTA volunteers WhatsApp group, which is amazing, but we still looking for new committee members, especially as 4 of the current 5 members will be leaving at the end of this school year as their children move on.

If you are interested in joining the committee and helping to organise events / activities, please email us: PTA@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk

Expenditure for 22/23

2021/2022 was a consolidating year investment wise. A new BBQ and gazebos were needed due to the winter storms ravaging the PTA shed and destroying the contents. The PTA funded the Christmas crackers which all the children enjoyed at their Christmas lunch and the Year 6 leavers disco.

We have already been liaising with Mrs Taylor on how to spend funds this year with some great ideas such as helping to pay for **school trips, new sports kits, new reading books and playground equipment** so watch this space for more details!!!

Match giving / funding

Match Giving is where, for example, a parent, who works for a company that offers **match giving**, volunteers to work on the refreshment stall at the Summer Fayre. The profit made by the stall is £200. The parent's employer will then match this amount with a further £200.

We are fortunate enough to have a parent who works for a company who run this scheme and as a result a considerable amount has been donated to the PTA, which is amazing!! Companies who have these schemes are often banks or large businesses.

If you would like to support the PTA, please check if your company runs a scheme like this, please ask a committee member if you have any questions.

St Paul's Yuletide - Friday 2nd December from 15:30

Preparations are well underway for our festive fundraiser, The St Paul's Yuletide. The Yuletide will start **straight after school on Friday 2nd December** and will finish around 17:30. There will be the usual mix of tombolas, second-hand toy and book stall, cake, and refreshments stall, serving festive drinks and treats. Our famous Samosas are also making a return! You will have the opportunity to play the human fruit machine game hosted by our amazing teachers or play some games at the **Games Stall run by our own Year 6s!** Please ensure to complete the form on ParentMail if you would like your Year 6 child to help run the stall.

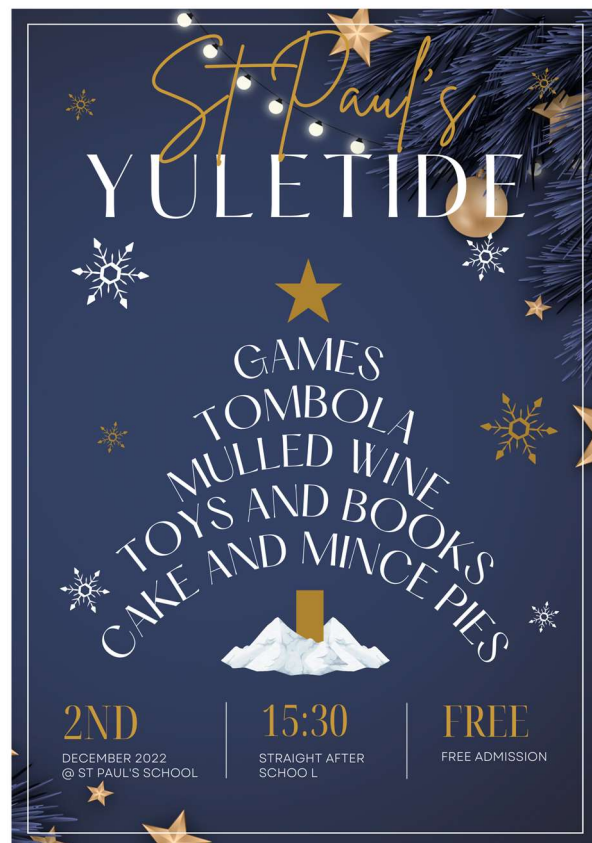
Friday 2nd of December is a **non-uniform day** as a thank you for bringing in your **donations**. Donations can be brought in on the **morning between Monday 28th and Friday 2nd of December**. A member or volunteer of the PTA will be around to assist.

- Y3, Y5: chocolate tombola (selection packs, chocolate Santas, boxes of chocolates, bags of sweets)
- Y4, Y6: bottle tombola (drinks, speciality foods, toiletries; unopened and in date)

If you have **books, board games, jigsaw puzzles** to donate, please bring them to school **28 November – 2nd December**. Items should be clean, complete and in good condition please. Unfortunately, we cannot accept other toys or games.

We will also be having a **cake stall** during the event, and we are looking for keen bakers to contribute. Please bring cakes, cupcakes, or biscuits to school on **Friday morning, the 2nd of December**. We cannot wait to see and eat 😊 all your creations!

We require lots of **volunteers** and **donations** for this event, so please support us! Many thanks to those who have already signed up and busy preparing! You can sign up to volunteer via Signup Genius: <https://bit.ly/Stpaulsyuletide>. If you have any issues signing up, please contact us via the PTA email.



The Rota for the Yuletide is online, click here to [sign up](#). Thank you in advance for signing up and all your help before and on the day. We couldn't hold these events without your help!

What else can you do to help?

Fundraising ideas

St Paul's PTA is a registered charity—

If any parents / carers are taking part in sponsored events this would be an excellent way to raise money for our school :-)



Please remember to select '**St Pauls Schools Association Wokingham**' as your charity.



Log into the Smile Amazon, select **St Pauls School Association**, and shop as usual.

For more partner information, such as name tags and easy2name labels, please visit our PTA website > partners.



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