



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our whole school community is something that is very special to us all.

Over many years, our PHA has worked tirelessly to provide opportunities for everyone beyond the school day. These have included summer and Christmas balls for parents, cinema nights and discos for children and family events such as bingo and beetle drives. Whilst these events do so much to bring our community together, they also raise funds which directly impact all of the children in school.

Examples of the support they have given over the last 7 years have included **building a new garden area** for the children to play and enjoy in school, **providing book bags** for new children, **Christmas parties** for all children and an annual **£1400** contribution towards class visits to keep the costs of class visits down.

### Outdoor Library and Learning Area

On average our PHA have raised **£8-10,000** a year. Over the last few years, your support of PHA events has helped to raise a significant amount of money to support our children.

The PHA have now committed **£15,000** to help re-develop the back of school to provide an outdoor library and learning area. Although this project has been delayed due to Covid-19, we are now in a position to continue. We hope this will be completed this year and the development will include:

- a better pathway around the back of school
- an outdoor library and learning area
- mini amphitheatre built into in the edge of the field.

I cannot thank the PHA and all of our families enough for all of their tremendous work and all of our parents who have contributed to events allowing us to move forward with this project.

As we move into the second half of this term I have been discussing with the PHA how we can continue to work together to organise some lovely events for the children and continue to raise funds to support this project and other initiatives as the year progresses.

I encourage anyone who is able and wishes to become involved in future events to join us for a meeting on **Tuesday 30th November at 3:40pm** in school.

Mr D Kennedy  
Head teacher

The PHA are running two main events this term that we are asking for support with.

### 1. Christmas Raffle

Once again the PHA will be running a Christmas raffle. The PHA have sent tickets home **tonight should anyone wish to buy one.**

**In addition**, if anyone would like to **donate prizes** for this please contact **Viki Smith** on the details at the bottom of this page.

Full details of our main prizes are listed on the tickets:

**1st prize**—3 night stay in luxury cottage for up to 8 guests

**2nd prize**—£50 M&S gift card

**3rd prize**—Champagne & chocolate hamper

### 2. Christmas Stockings

Each year we ask the children to bring in a small gift for their class Christmas stocking. This will be raffled off at the Christmas party.

This year we will be asking children to bring in a small item between Wednesday 1st December and Friday 3rd December. Items usually include sweets or small/inexpensive novelty toys. These do not need to be wrapped. Teachers will also discuss this with the children in the coming days. Children will then be able to buy tickets for £1 each from Monday 6th December. Details of how this will work will be published next week.



### Christmas Cards

This year due to challenges in school, we are not creating Christmas cards via cauliflower cards as usual. However, Christmas cards can still be designed and created at home using Cauliflower Cards 'Individual Artwork Projects'. If you would like to sign up or would like more information please visit <https://www.cauliflowercards.co.uk/individual-project>. They can produce cards, mugs, wrapping paper and more with your designs.

**Order by 14th December for delivery before Christmas.**

Any one wishing to become involved in the PHA is invited to also contact the PHA on the details below.

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