



ALWYN & COURTHOUSE PTA AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

Fundraising totals

Last year we raised £9,250! This year we have already had our first fundraising event in the Clothing Drive which raised £375. Every penny donated goes to boosting our children's education, so let's have fun and raise some funds!

Parent's choice!

Giving parents and carers a voice on how the funds raised could be spent at each school. It's easy to let us know your ideas. Visit our website www.alwyncourthousepta.com/parentschoice and fill out the form letting us know the idea and which schools it's for. These ideas will then be shared with the Headteachers and money spent accordingly.

Employer Funding

A special mention goes to Simon Smedley, a school parent, who via his employers charity scheme secured 30 iPads to complete the revamped IT suite at Courthouse. If you work for a company that runs charity support initiatives then we qualify. Please get in contact if your company can help! For more info, please email us. alwynandcourthousepta@yahoo.co.uk

GREAT START!

Welcome back to those we know and welcome to those that are new to our schools! Despite the unusual end to last school year, you helped us raise an amazing **£9,250!** Not only did we raise funds, the schools have been spending it too! Here's a few of the things that have been done with the funds raised: Alwyn has a new outdoor classroom, a newly refurbished outdoor play area and new IT equipment. Courthouse has a new outdoor games area, benches, sports equipment and lots of new books.



AGM!

This term we held a virtual AGM; if you weren't able to make it you can read the report here: www.alwyncourthousepta.com/finance. We have reappointed Katherine Lathwell and Vickie Davis as Co-Chairs, Caroline Riches remains as Treasurer and Siobhan Tarbuck carrying on in the Secretary role. You can find out more about the whole committee here www.alwyncourthousepta.com/about-us. We have said goodbye to some amazing PTA-ers, but have already welcomed two new members! If you'd like to get involved, please get in contact: alwynandcourthousepta@yahoo.co.uk



Pre-Loved Uniform ^{NEW}

We have launched an online pre-loved uniform shop. We have skirts, jumpers, shirts, dresses, trousers and winter coats in stock. All items are in nearly new condition and are £1 or less. We will be taking donations from January. www.alwyncourthousepta.com/preloved-uniform

Sleigh, what?!

Christmas will be a little different this year; but we have put our elf thinking hats on and have come up with some great ideas! Doorstep Santa, Christmas Raffle, Toy and Adult Auctions! More information coming soon.

**DON'T FORGET!
COURTHOUSE
SCHOOL
PHOTOGRAPHS
THURSDAY 5 NOV.**



THIS TERM...



Spooky Trail | 30 Oct - 1 Nov

This year we are holding our first Spooky Trail. Follow the map to spot the spiders, solve the anagram and also vote for the best dressed house. This is taking place Friday 30 to Sunday 1 Nov. If you are spookifying your house please sign up here to get your spider and be added to the map: www.alwyncourthousepta.com/spookytrail More information on following the trail coming soon.

Doorstep Santa | 5 Dec

Santa's making house calls this year. At the beginning of December we will be taking bookings for Santa to pay your little one's a visit. Bookings open 23 Nov.



Christmas Raffle | Draw 12 Dec

Raffle tickets this year will be on sale on 9 November. Prizes include a laptop, Nintendo Switch Lite, hamper and other prizes. Tickets will be available to buy on our website. www.alwyncourthousepta.com/raffle



Toy and Adult Auction | 23 Nov

In the lead up to Christmas we will be running our Christmas auction. This year there is a Toy Auction full of amazing brand new toys and one for the grown ups too. The auctions go live on our website on 23 November and will run for three weeks, each week new items will be auctioned www.alwyncourthousepta.com/christmasauction



Up to £10 donated to the PTA for every turkey ordered. Simply select our school when ordering.

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OTHER DATES FOR THE DIARY

ALWYN

Inset day - Monday 2 Nov
Photographs - Friday 6 Nov
Flu Vaccines - Tuesday 24 Nov

COURTHOUSE

Author visit - Tuesday 20 Oct
Inset day - Monday 2 Nov
Individual photographs - Thursday 5 Nov
Christmas Post Open - Monday 1 Dec
Christmas Lunch - Tuesday 15 Dec
Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party - Wednesday 16 Dec
Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party - Thursday 17 Dec
Pantomime - Friday 18 Dec
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM - Friday 18 Dec

LAST DAY BEFORE HALF TERM IS FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER

Join the PTA Please contact us to get involved; either to join the committee or to help plan or run events. Contact us via Facebook [AlwynCourthousePTA](https://www.facebook.com/AlwynCourthousePTA) or alwynandcourthousepta@yahoo.co.uk

