

# Hurst Park School PTA

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## Welcome

We would like to send out a very warm welcome to all our new children and parents joining Hurst Park and a huge welcome back to everyone else. We hope you had a lovely summer.

## Halloween Parties – Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

We will be holding the popular Halloween parties again this year. There will be two parties.

**4pm – 5pm: Reception, Year 1, Year 2**  
**5:30pm – 6:30pm: Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6**

There will be a fancy dress competition for the best dressed boy and girl, and this year we have decided to again add in best dressed adult (parents & staff included).

The cost of the party will be £3 per child. This includes entry, a packet of sweets and a drink. If you return the booking form along with payment, your child's name will be on the list at the door. The drop off zone will be open and entry to the hall will be through the back doors (up the slope).

Parents are welcome to stay however it gets very hot and busy in the hall and I am sure you will be dragged up to dance if you stay.

## Shopping Spree – NEW FORMAT

Following feedback on previous years, we have changed the format slightly of the Shopping Spree this year.

The event is organised by the PTA with help from parents and the Year 6 children. All children in Reception to Year 6 will have the option to take part. Those that wish to do so will be asked to donate a gift of £5 value along with a £1 cash donation.

Children can then choose a gift (with assistance if necessary) from all those donated, for one person, and then wrap it up and take home to pop under the Christmas tree for their loved one.

This event takes place within school hours on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

## A big THANK YOU

A big thank you to Sarah Banbury who has unfortunately had to resign from the role of PTA Treasurer. On behalf of the whole school, we would like to express our thanks for all her hard work over the last 3 years.

## Upcoming Events

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Year 4 cake sale**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween parties**

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Nursery & Reception parents coffee morning**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Quiz night**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Magical Molesey**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Shopping spree**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Nursery cake sale**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre**

## Donation & Mufti days

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Hamper auction donations NON MUFTI**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Chocolate donation mufti**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Bottle donation mufti**

## Donation & Mufti days explained

Please find attached a sheet explaining all donation, mufti days etc and what is expected.

Any queries, please just ask either Lisa or Lucie.

### New parent coffee morning – NEW DATE

The PTA are holding a 'family friendly' coffee morning for Nursery and Reception parents in the school hall on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 9.15am – 11:00am.

The coffee morning will be a great way to get to know the other families in Nursery and Reception. Young children are very welcome to come along too. There will be some toys for them to play with too. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available.

There will also be second hand uniform available to purchase from 9am in the school hall. All uniform that the PTA hold is at a reduced price.

### Santa's Grotto & Front row seats raffle

We will be taking bookings for Santa's Grotto and selling raffle tickets to win front row seats at your child's Christmas show, on the following dates/times:

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November – 3.10pm (in the main playground)**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – 8am – 9am (in the main playground)**

Please note that Grotto slots are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Children will have the opportunity to meet Father Christmas with their sibling(s), or up to two friends (total of 3 children max per slot). The cost will be £4 per child.

Raffle tickets to win front row seats are £1.00 each.

### School Tea Towels

Instead of Christmas cards this year, the children will soon be busy drawing some fantastic self-portraits to go on a school tea towel. This is for all children in the school, with one tea towel for Nursery to Year 2 and another tea towel for Year 3 to Year 6.

You will soon receive an order form so please return before the deadline to ensure you receive them in time for Christmas.

### Christmas Nativities/Shows

Reminder of Christmas show dates:

**\* Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec: Years 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity (2pm)**

**\* Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec: Years 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity (9.30am)**

**\* Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec: Nursery (All day & PM) & Reception Christmas concert (2.15pm)**

**\* Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec: Nursery (All day & AM) & Reception Christmas concert (9.30am)**

**\* Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec: Year 3 Christmas production (9.30am)**

Note: the Year 4, 5 and 6 service is held in the church.

### Cake sales for the year

Each year group will have a cake sale at the end of the day in the main playground once a year. Whenever possible, toys and books will also be sold alongside the cakes to offer an alternative option for the children. We are a **nut free school** and all donations must be **nut free**.

The PTA provide a £10 float for each cake sale. At the end of each sale the profit and float are split between the classes for that year group which allows the teachers & children to decide what they would like to spend the money on.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Year 4

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Nursery

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January – Year 6

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Year 5

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Reception

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Year 3

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Year 2

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Sales

A second hand uniform sale will run on the same days as the cake sales where possible. Uniform is good quality and at a reduced rate.

Alternatively, new uniform can be purchased online from Network: <https://www.ukuniform.com>

### Christmas Fayre - Stall allocations

Your class reps will soon be asking for volunteers to help run your stall. If you are able to help out for at least one 30 mins slot we would really appreciate it.

Nursery	Treat Tree
Kingfishers	Face painting
Swallows	Games
1TG	Cakes
1T	Hamper auction
2L	Games
2J	Toy tombola
3TS	Café
3M	BBQ
4H	Salt dough decorations
4K	Santa's Grotto
5K	Bottle tombola
5P	Popcorn
6C	Chocolate tombola
6B	Nail painting & tattoos

Please invite friends and family along to enjoy the Christmas Fayre!

### Class Reps

Thank you to everyone who has offered to be a class rep for their child's class this year. We are still looking for reps for:

#### **Nursery AM, PM and ALL DAY (at least one rep for each session)**

It's great to have 2 reps for each class, if possible, to share the duty. You would be responsible for organizing parents' nights out, rotas for events, and teacher collections. This really can be a fun role to be in, with very little work.

If you would like to be a rep please let Lisa or Lucie know.

### Quiz Night

Once again Dave Simms is running the annual quiz night. This is a great night out for parents, family and friends.

Teams of up to 8 people (£5 per person or £40 per team). Bring your own food and drink. It would be great if we could have at least one team for each class this year.

Booking forms will be sent out soon.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need parent volunteers to help with the following:

30<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween parties, set up from 3:15pm and then help from 4pm with the parties

31<sup>st</sup> October - Nursery and Reception parents coffee morning set up from 8:30am.

30<sup>th</sup> Nov – Shopping spree, helping the children choose and wrap presents

8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre, volunteers to work in half hour sessions on their years' allocated stall.

If you can help, please let Lisa or Lucie know as soon as possible.

### Easy Fundraising

#### **The easiest way to raise FREE money for your school!**

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online this Christmas - from the perfect gift and novelty socks to your turkey and pantomime tickets, you could be raising a free donation for **Hurst Park Primary School**?

There are nearly 3,000 retailers onboard ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, the train line and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra! It's really simple, all you have to do is:

- 1. Join.** Head to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hurstparkprimaryschool> and sign up for free.
- 2. Shop.** Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, pick the retailer you want and start shopping.
- 3. Raise.** After you have checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

Please help us this Christmas by giving more than a gift - there are no catches or hidden charges and **Hurst Park Primary School** will be very grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

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**Please support our events by helping out and coming along**