

Friends of St Peter's News

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50/50 LOTTO LAUNCHING IN SEPTEMBER 2018!

A fantastic chance to win a pot of cash each month while also supporting our fundraising! Our 50/50 Lotto will launch in September, with the first Draw taking place in October. Numbers cost £5 per month and there will be 10 Draws, running October – July. Half of the funds raised each month will go into the prize pot, with the remainder donated to school projects.

Forms to register for your numbers will be available at the start of the Autumn term! For more information, please check out our Lotto Poster around school or email us for details.

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for supporting the end of year Family BBQ; not only were we blessed with amazing weather and a super Sports Day, but you also raised over **£480** towards school resources!

Last week, pupils also enjoyed Crazy Socks Day and the Swap Shop, kindly organised with the help of the School Council and stocked with donations from our St Peter's families – both were great fun and raised in total another **£73**. These funds will contribute towards the Legoland trip.



PARENT QUESTIONNAIRES & FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S MEMBERSHIP FORMS

Thank you for returning your Parent Questionnaires and Friends of St Peter's Membership forms. Details of the results of the Questionnaires are currently being collated – it's really useful to have your feedback, which helps us to look at our events and

activities with a fresh eye each year, to see what we can improve, change and add.

Thank you also for completing your Friends' membership forms – dates for next year's Friends of St Peter's meetings will be

shared at the start of next term; anyone is welcome to attend, but if we do vote on decisions, you will need to be a member to join in. Please remember you can complete a membership form anytime, please just email us for a copy or pop into the school office.

SHOPPING BAGS AND COOKBOOKS

Our **Jute Shopping Bags** are still available to buy at **£4** each and a limited number of **Cookbooks** are on sale at **£5** each – please pop into the school office to pick up yours!



EXPERIENCE A FREEFALL THRILL WITH A TANDEM PARACHUTE JUMP!

The opportunity to experience a tandem parachute jump with RAF Parachute Jumping Instructor and St Peter's Parent, Danny Ball, is still open to parents, friends and family! The jump can be planned for anytime over the summer holidays, or beyond (weather dependent) so please do get in touch if you're interested or would like to find out more!



STAMPTASTIC.CO.UK

If you're planning on labelling new uniform over the summer, please have a look at www.stamptastic.co.uk – if you quote our school code **OX182PU** on any orders we can also claim some really generous rewards on your order.

OUR FUNDRAISING IN 2017/18 & FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S VISION FOR 2018/19

WHAT A GREAT YEAR!

We've had another fantastic year of fundraising; our sincere thanks to all of you – the families, staff and friends at St Peter's School – for your absolutely amazing support! **Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!**

Whether you have baked, donated, volunteered, purchased from our Wishlist,

brought a raffle ticket, or come along to an event, you've helped us raise over **£5000** this year!

These funds have been spent very wisely in a number of different areas across the school, such as:

- Literacy Resources
 - a large quantity of books for KS2 library
- a box of high quality picture books for each class
- a contribution to support author workshop in school
- Christmas gifts from Santa for every pupil at the pub Christmas Lunch
- Ice Cream treats at the Panto
- A contribution to support the whole school Legoland trip
- New educational table tops for the outdoor picnic tables
- Basketballs to support PE lessons and lunch club

LOOKING FORWARD....

Next school year, FoSPs are planning to continue with the successful fundraisers that we all enjoy and include one or two new fundraising projects. We'll also continue with our Wishlists and Easyfundraising, so there are many different ways you can get involved.

This is also an ideal time, with the start of a new school year, to look at how we can make best use of the funds we raise and have a positive impact on our children's education. Many schools will find the next few years financially challenging,

as school budgets are squeezed more and more. St Peter's also faces this challenge, but we are fortunate to have a fantastic, supportive group of parents and friends and an active and full fundraising calendar.

The funds we raise over the next few years will therefore make a real difference funding resources that St Peter's may find difficult to afford from their reduced budget. With this in mind, the Friends of St Peter's, together with the school team, have been working on a 5 year plan, estimating how much we

hope to raise and identifying resources and equipment that we can contribute towards.

Specifically, for the next school year, our target is to again raise £5,000. We envisage contributing in the region of £3500 towards resources, equipment and training including:

- Active Learn packages for Maths, Grammar, Spelling and Phonics
- ParentMail
- Cornerstones lesson planning package for KS1 and KS2
- Happy Lunchtime training package for all TAs

The remainder of the funds raised will contribute towards lovely extras throughout the school year.

Your continuing support for our events and activities will be much appreciated and as you can see will really benefit all of our pupils, across the school. If you would like any more information about our 5 year plan, please do contact us directly by emailing **friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com**

KEY STAGE 2 AMAZON WISHLIST

You may have seen that we have added a huge number of **NEW**, high quality picture books to our reading list, as reviewed and recommended by Mat Tobin. These books are great for school or for your own book case at home. Some of these books will be used for KS2, but some are also suitable for EYFS and KS1, so will be shared across the classes. Used copies of these books are also available and would be equally valued as gifts to the school.

www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=A3QUW8EGJXCUD1

OR search for the Wishlist using StPetersSchoolAlvescot.

Once you've decided which book you'd like to donate, please check the book out and add a note to 'gift options' with your details (for example 'kindly donated by the Brown Family') so that we can add a bookplate inscription. Your chosen book will be a wonderful lasting gift to the school while also promoting a lifelong love of reading.



EASYFUNDRAISE WITH ST PETER'S

THANK YOU to everyone for continuing to shop with Easyfundraising to raise donations for our school – we have just received our latest cheque for £18.88! If you haven't signed up yet, please do think about doing so as St Peter's can benefit from your online orders at no extra cost to yourself.

It's really easy to register, and you can download an easy to use app to your phone or tablet.

There are no catches or hidden charges, simply:

1. Head to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpetersceschoolalvescot/ and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to St Peter's for no extra cost!

