



WHALEY BRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Parent Teacher Association

PTA NEWS

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EVENTS

Quiz & Curry Night

The quiz & curry night hosted by our fabulous Quiz Master, Di Williamson was a huge success. The hall was packed with keen quizsters, and the aroma of Zayka curry! It was a hard fought competition and came down to a tie-break between the Teachers (who, despite struggling to count when it came to the maximum number of team members, proved surprisingly knowledgeable) and The Chenders.

Unfortunately Mr Baxter's knowledge of Crufts let him down and The Chenders were crowned the winners. A huge thank you to Di and Steve Williamson and all our volunteers.

The evening raised over **£550**.



Fashion Show

Over 75 ladies turned up for our first fashion show, to check out a range of heavily discounted high street clothes (and some top modelling by teachers, parents & friends). Mrs Walton, Miss Owen and Miss Chadwick were amongst those making their modelling debut. Alongside the chance to snap up a bargain, the evening brought together parents, teachers, and the local community for an evening of fun and fashion.

The event raised over **£250**.



Summer Fayre

11 July 2015

We will be holding a vintage summer fayre on Saturday 11 July. We have space for stall holders and we also need volunteers to help run stalls, manage refreshments and help out on the gate. **If you would like your own stall or can give an hour or two to help out, please contact us on whaleybridgepta@gmail.com**

Target **£3000**



Dates for your Diary

- 23-31 May—Half Term
- 11 June—School Disco
- 13-14 June—Whaley Water Weekend
- 15-19 June—Yr 6 Residential
- 19 June—INSET Day
- 25 June—School Sports Day
Infants 9.30 Juniors 1.15
- 27 June—Rose Queen Carnival
- 11 July—Summer Fayre
- 16 July—Children visit new class
- 24 July—Leavers Assembly
- 25 July—Summer holiday starts
- 7/8 Sep— INSET Days
- 9 Sep—School starts back

WBPS PTA Community Star Awards

We are incredibly grateful for the support of individuals and businesses in our community who have helped us fundraise. To recognize their support we have introduced our Community Star Awards. **Our first Community Stars are: Zayka and Goyt Wines.**



Easyfundraising is a great way to help us raise money without spending a penny. Every time you go online to buy something at thousands of major sites including expedia, amazon and John Lewis, if you go via www.easyfundraising.co.uk/causes/whaleybridgepta, a donation will come to us.

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Whaley Bridge Carnival - Saturday 27 June

This year The Rose Queen Carnival celebrates its 40th anniversary and the theme is **The spirit of the 70s!!** We are embracing the theme and planning a 70s inspired float / walking parade for the school. We will be holding after school workshops for the children to prepare t-shirts for tie-dyeing and it would be great if you can track down any 70s memorabilia: space hoppers, chopper bikes, yo-yos, rubiks cubes. More information will be sent out after half-term.

Our float will also be recreating the iconic 70s game **Mousetrap**. Helen Jacobs is pulling together a creative team to source and paint the relevant parts (bath, trap etc). If you can spare any time or resources to help please contact Helen on helen@cadstermill.plus.com. **If anyone has a flatbed truck we can use, and that they are happy to drive as part of the carnival, please can they get in touch with Helen.**



Fundraising

We are delighted that we have already exceeded our £3000 target this year, having raised **£3500** with the Summer Fayre still to come. We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone who has supported the PTA. The money we raise goes to fund a whole range of projects in the school. This year money raised has gone towards:

- Additional classroom resources
- Supporting school trips for all year groups
- Our main project—The carving of the beautiful new Wooden Owl in the wildlife area, a project that all the children were able to be a part of, and the creation of a new butterfly garden in the Wildlife Area.

We welcome suggestions for where the money we raise should go. If you have ideas, please come along to a PTA meeting, drop us an email or have a chat with anyone in the PTA.



Get involved

The PTA exists to help raise money for the school and bring the parents, teachers and children of Whaley Bridge Primary School closer together. We work with Mrs Walton and the teachers to choose how we can best add value to the school. We have a dedicated team of PTA volunteers who help out in a whole range of ways to support the school, but as children leave to go to High School, we need new parents to come on board and we want everyone to have a chance to be part of the PTA and to ensure that it represents all our pupils and year groups. Volunteering doesn't have to take up much of your time, and offers a chance to be actively involved in the school, meet other parents and help raise money to fund projects within the school. Our current Chair, Jane Marchington is stepping down at the end of the year and alongside this role, we need a bank of volunteers to help with fundraising. If you would like to get involved or think you may be able to help out occasionally at events, please email us at whaleybridgepta@gmail.com.

How you can help

- **Cake rota co-ordinator**—we need someone to take over managing the fortnightly cake rota. We also need parents to make cakes for Friday cake: this is only ever once a term.
- **Disco co-ordinator**—we are looking for someone to take over co-ordination of the termly school discos.
- **Event Volunteers**—Bar, Tickets on the door, Raffle organizer, Stall holders
- **Event Co-ordinators**—we hold a range of events, and also love ideas for new events
- **Chair / Vice-Chair** - Our fabulous Vice-Chairs are happy to take on the role of Chair, but we would love to hear from anyone who would like to consider the role of Chair or Vice-Chair for the 2015/16 school year.

We always welcome new faces at our meetings (in the pub, obviously), and if you have ideas for fundraising, events or how we can support the school, please join us.

- Email the committee at whaleybridgepta@gmail.com
- Visit our FB Page—Whaley Bridge Primary School PTA
- Track us down in the playground and have a chat



Jane Marchington: Chair, Zoey Vickers: Vice-Chair, Beverley Eaves: Vice-Chair