



## Fern Hill PSA Autumn Term Newsletter



As we get ready for the Christmas holidays, we wanted to thank Fern Hill parents for their support for the PSA throughout this term and to give you an update on how much money we've raised so far.

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### **Our autumn term events and fundraising update**

It's been a packed calendar of PSA events during this term, ranging from the major ones such as the Christmas Fair and Fireworks Night through to the Dads' Breakfast and our second hand uniform sale. Together with your support, we've also raised over £1,200 this term for the other charities we support each year: Macmillan Cancer Support and BBC Children in Need.

We raised over £4,000 from our Christmas Fair, including the income from the Curchods boards and the Christmas tree sales. We're delighted by this fantastic amount and would like to say a big thank you to everyone involved!

- The PSA Christmas Fair raised over £4,000
- Fireworks Night raised £1276
- The Dads' Breakfast raised £285.95
- Our cake sale in support of BBC Children In Need raised £376
- The Macmillan coffee morning raised £850
- Our second hand uniform raised £154.60

This means that during this term, we have raised a wonderful total of nearly £7,000!

A huge thank you must go to all the parents, children and staff who've helped make these events such a great success. None of our events would be possible without the time and effort of so many people. Thank you to everyone who has been involved with the PSA this term – and thank you as well to all the Fern Hill families who come along to our events and support our fundraising.

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### **What will the money be spent on?**

- Mr Scott and the rest of the school's senior leadership team have a number of projects under consideration and we'll be able to provide you with a full update once we're back in the Spring Term.
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### Upcoming Events

There are lots more exciting PSA events to look forward to in the Spring Term. KS2 children will be able to enjoy their own Cinema Night on February 8th and then there'll be more fun with our Bounce For Books event on March 8th and a special Easter celebration for EYFS on March 25th. And it's not only the children who get to enjoy themselves ... our hugely popular Quiz Night will return on March 1<sup>st</sup> and Fern Hill mums will get the chance to enjoy their own Mother's Day Breakfast at school on March 29<sup>th</sup>!

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### If you and your children enjoy these events, then the PSA needs your help to continue!

We love running all our fantastic events during the year and it's great to see how much the children enjoy them. **BUT** all parents should be aware that it is, at the moment, a relatively small group of parents who give up their time to help organise PSA events and those parents cannot continue to shoulder the entire burden.

We will only be able to run all our future events if more parents are able to get involved in the organisation. For example, at the moment, no-one has committed to running Cinema Night or our Summer Fair. Please email [fernhillpsa@gmail.com](mailto:fernhillpsa@gmail.com) if you are able to help us.

No one person need run an entire event on their own, you can team up with other parents to make life easier. Please don't wait and assume lots of other people will step forward – if you're able to help then do speak up! We really value all your support and hope that we can rely on more parents to ensure all our events are able to take place.

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### PSA meeting

Our next PSA meeting will be on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January** at 7.30pm in the Small Hall at school. All parents are welcome to attend. Please do come along as it's a great way to find out more about our events and get involved.

**Merry Christmas from the PSA!**

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