



# Emscote and All Saints' Schools PTA September Newsletter 2020



Welcome to the first Parent Teacher Association (PTA) newsletter for the year 2020/21 and a massive welcome to all new families. Through this newsletter we aim to keep you up to date with upcoming social and fundraising events and to feedback on past events and how we are spending the money we raise to help support our children.

The aim of the PTA is to raise money to fund extras for the children and also to help foster a closer home-school relationship between families and both schools. We aim to spend the money we raise in the same year so that those helping with the events can see the benefits for their children.

Items for **Emscote** have a red title, items for **All Saints'** have a green title and **joint items** are blue.

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## THANK YOU

First of all we would like to say a huge Thank You to everyone who donated to our just giving page at the end of last year. This has made a huge difference and raised over £550! The page is open for donations any time! [www.justgiving.com/emscote-allsaints-pta](http://www.justgiving.com/emscote-allsaints-pta)

## REPORT ON FUNDRAISING

We are very pleased to let you know that the total for last year's fundraising was **£6,672** (£3,068 for All Saints' and £3,603 for Emscote). Children from both schools have been enjoying the extras that fundraising has been able to bring. Successful fundraising included the Christmas fayres, raffles, children's artwork on mugs/tea towels, discos, and our fireworks event.

We would like to say a massive thank you to all children and their families for their contributions either helping out or attending one of our events. Let's hope we can have a few more events this year!

## REPORT ON SPENDING

**Emscote** has been able to purchase some new equipment for the classrooms, globes and atlases, a range of new books covering lots of different topics from story sacks to PHSE, and money to update the library so that it can be used more comfortably. We were also able to put money towards 24 iPads that the school is purchasing.

**All Saints'** have been able to purchase lots of new geography equipment including wall maps, globes and atlases. For the Year 6s we also purchased pizzas for the end of the summer term and hoodies instead of t-shirts as we were not able to run many of the leaving events that the year 6 would normally have had.

## PTA COMMITTEE

To be legally compliant with the Charity Commission there must be three elected committee members: Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. At our AGM on Monday 5th October 2020 these three positions will be elected. The PTA are looking for a new treasurer and secretary for the academic year 2020/21.

This year would be a great year to start as there will be fewer events in the first term than usual. There will be full information for anything you need to do and both the outgoing Treasurer and Secretary have children at the school still so will be around for any advice. For information on the positions or to put your name forward please email the PTA email address and we will answer any questions you have.

Also if you would just like to be added to the PTA email (or be removed if your child has now left the school) please email [emscoteandallsaintspta@gmail.com](mailto:emscoteandallsaintspta@gmail.com) and let us know.

## AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm, via Zoom**. We offer a warm welcome to any parents (new or returning) who would like to attend to learn a little more about the PTA and offer any help that you can. You can get involved as little or as much as you like. Our meetings are held at both schools on an alternating basis, and currently over Zoom calls. If you are interested in getting involved, we would be happy to provide further information and we can be contacted by email at: [emscoteandallsaintspta@gmail.com](mailto:emscoteandallsaintspta@gmail.com)

If you would like to join the AGM please email the PTA your email address so that an invite to the Zoom call can be sent to you. We would love to see new members too! Or try out our new website to buy a ticket and have the details sent straight to you [www.pta-events.co.uk/emscoteandallsaintspta/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/emscoteandallsaintspta/) for the AGM or the 100 Club detailed below.

## 100 CLUB

This year we are running the 100 Club as part of our fundraising activities across All Saints and Emscote. Essentially it is a monthly lottery draw. **Proceeds will be split 50/50 to fund projects for all children at Emscote and All Saints and to provide cash prizes for 2 lucky winners**

For **£1 per month** (maximum of 10 months) you are allocated one number between 1 and 100. If all 100 numbers are sold the prizes are 1<sup>st</sup> £30, 2<sup>nd</sup> £20; so the more numbers we sell the bigger the prizes.

This is not just open to parents; it's a good way for grandparents, aunts and uncles to support projects for the children. All money raised in 2020/21 is spent in the same academic year.

This year, we are running the 100 club for 10 months (October 2020 July 2021 inclusive) . The draws will take place on the last Friday of every month.

If you would like to join please go to the website [www.pta-events.co.uk/emscoteandallsaintspta/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/emscoteandallsaintspta/) and purchase your ticket on there. For further information please email [emscoteandallsaintspta@gmail.com](mailto:emscoteandallsaintspta@gmail.com).

## **MATCHED FUNDING**

Last year we received matched funding of **£400 from National Grid**. It would be great to hear from any parents who work for National Grid or any other company that supplies matched funding so that we can enhance our fundraising. Please check if your company offers this, we will find a volunteering role that works for you!

## **AUTUMN TERM EVENTS**

If you have any ideas for COVID safe fundraising events that you would like to take place this term do let us know your ideas. All the events we would normally run this term do not look like they will happen so we are trying to think of new events so that we can still raise some funds for Christmas activities.