

The PSA ~ a forum for parents, staff and students to network and collaborate ~ to raise funds for school projects and equipment for students.

## Currently raising money for...

the refurbishment of the School Library.



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## Join our 200 Club - a chance to win ££s!

We're now launching our official PSA lottery. A tried and tested way of raising funds whilst also producing a lucky winner every term! Our introductory offer is £10 payment per person for two draws from now until the end of August. And the more members we get, the more the lucky person stands to win! The Club will then

continue on an annual basis (£36 for the year) from September, and those who have been on the introductory offer will have first chance to take part – once we get to 200, membership closes! To take part please contact [psa@stroudhigh.co.uk](mailto:psa@stroudhigh.co.uk) for more details and an application form. Terms and conditions apply.

## Year 7 Film and Quiz Evening

A huge thank you to the parents and students who attended last term's Year 7 Event and for raising just over £600. The evening started with the girls having a singalong to 'The Greatest Showman' (with popcorn) in the 6th Form Lecture Theatre. They then joined their parents and staff in the canteen for pizza and a quiz, superbly delivered by the new 6th Form student leaders. We are especially grateful to our anonymous Year 7 parent, who has offered to match funds raised for all year 7 events this year. The PSA would like to make a Year 7 evening a regular feature in the school calendar and are planning to run something similar earlier on in the academic year, so that students and parents can get to know each other better soon after starting at SHS.

## A reminder of how else you can contribute...

For more info, contact us on [psa@stroudhigh.co.uk](mailto:psa@stroudhigh.co.uk)

**The Acorn Fund** -for one-off or regular donations. A monthly direct debit of just £2.50 from parents could produce around £25,000 per year. To donate any sum, simply go to our <http://stroudhigh.gloucs.sch.uk/School-Life/Acorn-Fund>

**Easyfunding** – every time you make an online purchase from one of the 2000 registered retailers, a percentage of the cost goes to our cause. It's so simple – just go to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) to register, press the 'support a good cause' button, and search for Stroud High School PSA.

## Diary Dates

- **Pre-loved Uniform sale**  
– Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May, 1–2.10pm
- **Next PSA meeting**  
– Tues 11<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm,  
all welcome, no need to be  
part of the committee
- **Sponsored Parachute  
Jump** Fundraiser (if  
enough interest) – 29<sup>th</sup> June
- **Annual Garden Party**  
– Sat 13<sup>th</sup> July
- **Next Bag2School  
collection** – 15<sup>th</sup> July

## What's coming up

### SHS 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summer Garden Party ~ 13<sup>th</sup> July



Following the success of our inaugural event last year, plans are well underway for our biggest fundraiser and another great day on the school fields. The PSA and Senior Student Leadership team are busy planning stalls, games and contests. The dog show proves to be popular once again with pledges from local residents, parents and visitors to bring their canine friends along! This year we have more local arts & crafts stalls and several musical acts. Please pledge your support by committing to the date and look out for requests for donations, volunteering etc. Any ideas you have are truly welcome, just email them to [psa@stroudhigh.co.uk](mailto:psa@stroudhigh.co.uk) Planning meetings are held every other Wednesday at 7.30m (next one 22nd May at Stroud Brewery, Thrupp). If you'd like to attend, let us know or just come along and join in the planning fun.

### Bags2School – next collection 15<sup>th</sup> July at school

Our last collection raised us £388...if you have unwanted clothes, or other items (see <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect> for details) please watch out for your Bags2School collection bag in book bags. Simply fill your bag and bring along to the Garden Party, or drop them into school before 15<sup>th</sup> July.

## PSA CONTACT DETAILS

### Chairs

Penny Newton and Jeff Oodian

### Treasurer

Lisa Thomas

### Secretary

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### EDTalks ~ speakers wanted!

Last year, the PSA ran a series of successful Business Networking sessions, with some great speakers covering subjects such as branding, social media, and how to network to boost your business. Now we have a new idea to trial – short presentations by influential speakers, along the lines of the popular TED (Technology Entertainment Design) Talks. The idea is to engage speakers (i.e. parents, SHS staff, students or presenters from outside) who have an inspirational topic or an interesting angle on a known topic, for a 20-minute talk. The presentation would be held in the 6th form lecture theatre followed by coffee and discussion. We're now looking for a person/people who'd be willing to take the podium and be our first speakers! If you have an engaging message to give, let us know at [psa@stroudhigh.co.uk](mailto:psa@stroudhigh.co.uk)

### Sponsored Parachute Jump

Ever wanted to jump out of a perfectly good aeroplane and freefall at a rate of knots back to earth? Well now could be your chance. The PSA's very own Jason Prosser, an experienced skydiver in his spare time, is planning a parachuting day for us at Dunkeswell Airfield in Devon. You'll receive full training and safety briefings before being flown up, tied to your expert tandem skydiver and flushed out. The preliminary cost is £250, which we hope each participant can cover personally, alongside raising sponsorship funds for PSA funds (ideal target £200 each), but there may be other options, depending on your situation, that we can discuss. This event can only go ahead if we get enough interest, so please let us know if you're up for a thrill! – [psa@stroudhigh.co.uk](mailto:psa@stroudhigh.co.uk)

