



Welcome to the first AJS PTA Newsletter

We've got loads of great events lined-up for this school year, to come together as a school community, have fun and raise much needed funds.

Every penny of the profits go to fund activities to enrich the school experience of our children, from new books in the library to murals to liven up the playground, paying for speakers who bring the curriculum to life and giving significant subsidies to reduce the cost of school trips for every family.

What some of the money raised last year went on:

- Rubix Cubes for cube club
- Books for the Sanctuary Library
- Wall Mural by Ruth Knapple local graffiti artist (*by the pirate ship*)
- Class Christmas parties
- World Maps for each class
- Contributions to School trips for all year groups
- Refugee Voice Speakers
- Forest School for year 4 classes
- Year 6 end of year leavers' party

Thank you for your ongoing support!

NEXT EVENT

THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Bonfire/Halloween themed cake sale and uniform stall in the playground after school.
3.15 - 4.15pm.

Items on sale from 50p

Donations welcome

Please bring your donations to the school gates on the day of the sale.

Label your containers with your child's name & class. Remember no nuts or kiwi.

WE NEED YOU

Fancy joining the Avenue Junior School PTA?

We currently have volunteers within the PTA covering years 4, 5 and 6 but we have found ourselves lacking volunteers from within year 3.

It would be beneficial to the school PTA to have year 3 representation. If there is anyone who fancies joining the PTA from within year 3 or other years no matter how much or little time you can spare please do get in touch by emailing avenuejuniorpta@gmail.com.

Being on the PTA is a very rewarding experience in helping raise vital funds for the school.

Looking forward to meeting you - Avenue Junior PTA Team

Next Avenue Junior School PTA monthly meeting

Come along to chat all things PTA on Thursday 9th November at the Warwick Arms from 7.30pm onwards. Hope to see you there.

Avenue Junior School PTA

DIARY dates

31st October: Deadline to hand-in any home-made card designs to class teachers.

2nd November: Bonfire/Halloween-themed cake sale and uniform stall in the playground after school.

17th November: Deadline to place online orders for Christmas cards etc. to get free delivery to school.

December: Toy Library. Choose a free toy for Xmas. Donate unwanted toys. *Dates & details to follow.*

19th December: Festive Fayre in the playground at pick up. Jolly jars, tombola, cakes, hot choc etc.

Week of 29th January: Movie Nights straight after school. *Details to follow.*

Week of 13th February: Valentine-themed cake sale and uniform stall in the playground after school.

22nd March: Chocolate Tombola and uniform stall in the playground after school

22nd May: DISCOS!
Years 3-4 from 3.30 - 4.30pm
Years 5-6 from 5 - 6.30pm
Details to follow.

28th June: Summer BBQ in the playground. (*Note this is earlier than in previous years.*)

18th July: Year 6 leavers party.

A BIG THANK YOU

We raised over £3,000 at the Avenue Junior School Summer BBQ



We want to say an enormous thank you to the Avenue Junior School community for pulling together and making the Summer BBQ such a great success.

Whether you offered a last-minute gazebo, volunteered in the rain, or came along with your money we appreciate your support so much, just as we were grateful for all the donated jolly jars, raffle tickets and tombola prizes, plants, second hand uniform etc.

To our wonderful volunteers who planned, purchased, fetched, carried, cooked served and supervised games all night you are legends.

Every penny raised on the night has now gone towards subsidising this year's school trips, including a full £30 subsidy for every year 6 child who is going on the residential trip in March.



The next Summer BBQ is Friday 28th June 24



Don't forget... Friday 17th November is the deadline for ordering Christmas cards (or wrapping paper, tags, mugs or bags!) based on your child's designs. Every purchase raises funds for the PTA that will be spent

on subsidising school trips and special events in school. Thanks for your orders in advance.

To order: Your child's artwork will be returned in a week or so then visit www.apfs.org.uk/ and enter the unique ID code on the back of your child's picture to place your order.

Note: Order before the 17th November to get free delivery to school.

Last year the christmas cards raised over £1,000 for the PTA.

Always welcome pre loved uniform and clothes hanger donations

We are always on the look out for clean, good condition pre loved uniform. Both school and PE uniform are welcome.

Please drop your donations off to the school office.



Do you have any unwanted board games at home that can be donated to the school for the children to play during wet play times?

Please only donate games which are fully complete and age appropriate.

Please bring your donated games to the school office. Thank You.



Jolly Jars for the Winter Fayre

The Avenue Junior School PTA are holding a Festive Winter Fayre on Tuesday 19th December after school on the playground.

Festive fun with Jolly jars, tombola, cakes, hot choc and more.

How to help if you can...
In preparation it would be great if people can start making jolly jars with small goodies, sweets and treats and hoarding toys for donation now, ahead of the Festive Winter Fayre.

A shout out for when and where to bring in your donations will be given nearer the time.

For more information or to join our list of willing helpers, email avenuejuniorpta@gmail.com.