# PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION **NEWSLETTER**



#### 6 December 2023





**Upcoming PTA Meetings** Fri, 8 Dec, 9:15 a.m. Fri, 12 Jan 9:15 a.m.

#### **School Winter Concert**

**Reception & Key Stage 1** Wed, 13 Dec, 9:30 a.m. **Key Stage 2** Wed, 13 Dec, 2:00 p.m.

Festive Fair Thu, 14 Dec, 2:00 p.m.

#### Winter WellBeing Day

Fri, 15 Dec, All day (children to wear a festive jumper / £1 donations welcome for Save The Children)

#### **December Half-Term**

Thu, 21 Dec - Wed, 3 Jan



We have raised so far £160 in the raffle ticket sale. The sale will continue until Thursday, 14 December.

Thank you for all your involvement, help and contributions.

#### A LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Hello and happy December!



Can you believe the **Festive Fair** is just over a week away?! Neither can we. The PTA have been working hard to get an amazing array of **raffle prizes** together. See below for a taste of the treats available to win. The tickets are £1 each and are on sale now so be sure to get yours either at morning drop off or afternoon pickup.

Since our last issue we have welcomed Ronnie as our Vice Treasurer and Cheryl as our Vice Secretary; I know they will be valuable members of the Admin team.

Our first event, the **Dad's Coffee Morning**, last Friday had a good turn out and there are plans afoot for another one soon. The blokes discussed how they could be of help to the school and all the kids, with potential plans for cricket in the spring and Saturday kick abouts in the park.

So what can you do to help the PTA I hear you ask.... well, **we need** lovely **home-made goodies** for the cake stall at the Festive Fair (please list all ingredients used) and **people to help run the stalls** so don't be shy and come and join in. We are a group of good hearted, friendly people just like you and need more to swell our numbers to make this the best Festive Fair so far. If you would like to volunteer please contact the school office, we would love to have you.

Shortly we will have a **PTA postbox** as well as **a page on the school website** and an **official email address** so look out for the new points of contact soon.

Finally, **are you a parent/carer with a business**? Then we want to know. Please share flyers, business cards and leaflets with us to display at the Festive Fair. John Keats is so much more than a School - we are a true community so let us know about the skills that you have so we can all benefit.

Have a holly jolly week and we will see you in the next issue. Bali

#### Feedback from Dad's Coffee Morning on 1 December:

"The significant turnout at our gathering has set the stage for profound discussions, constructive feedback, and the birth of pioneering ideas. This collaborative synergy has created an environment that nurtures diverse perspectives and cultivates innovative concepts. Going forward, our commitment is to sustain this momentum, fostering a rich tapestry of intellectual exchange that enhances collective discourse and propels us toward new frontiers of thought and creativity." - Sheriff, The PTA Vice-Chair

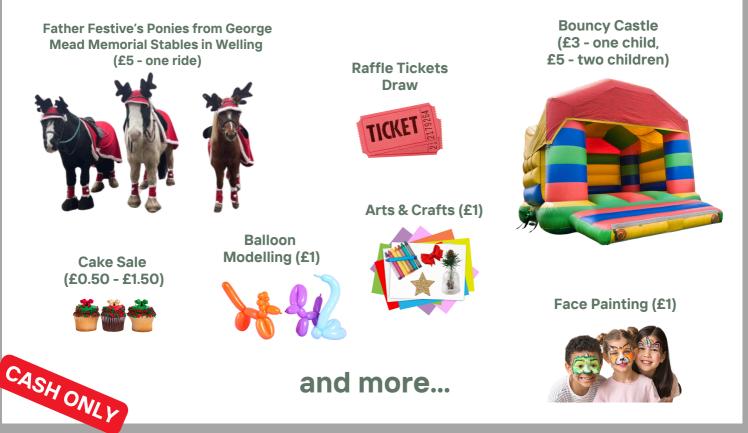
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### Join us on Thursday, 14 December from 2 p.m. for our festive celebrations



#### Huge thanks to all donors, including:

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#### **MEET THE PTA TEAM**

#### THE VICE-TREASURER

Howdy! My name is Ronnie and I am the mother of a precious child, Victoria in Reception. I am also the Vice-Treasurer of the PTA this year - a role I am delighted to be awarded. I was keen to join the PTA due



to being a new parent in the John Keats community and saw this as an opportunity to become acquainted with others in the community.

My employment background includes advocacy in the community, an area that is a passion on mine, and I would like to incorporate my experience into my role within the PTA and solidify an active and supportive community here at John Keats.

#### THE VICE-SECRETARY

Hi, I'm Cheryl. I am a busy mum to five wonderful children ranging in age from 16 down to one. My boys Davian (Blue 3) and Darnye (Blue 1) are enjoying their time at school and have met some fantastic friends since moving



here in March. I am currently a Prison Officer in a male establishment as I want to help the rehabilitation of men so they are not defined by their time in prison. I have previously been a housing officer and a family support worker. I am happy to help families within the school.

I have joined the PTA because I believe success starts at primary school and I want my boys along with every child to be happy, do well in their studies, have a strong network and benefit from the funds raised by the school and its community.

#### PTA MEMBER

Hi, my name is Roberta, I have four children, Primrose (Prim) who is in Blue 3, and her three older siblings who are aged 20, 24 and 27.



The main reason I decided to put myself forward for the PTA

was to have a positive impact on my child's learning journey as well benefit the school as a whole, whilst meeting like-minded parents along the way.

#### PTA MEMBER

Hi, I'm Chloe. I have 2 children, Amari in Blue Reception and Armani-Jay who is 1 year old. I work in the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Children's and Family Centre as an early years assistant.



I am also a footballer and currently play for Millwall Lionesses. I have become part of the PTA team as I would love to share my ideas, skills and experience. I am happy to be able to directly influence the experience my child and other children have whilst at the school. I know how much the extra funding will help and positively impact our children's learning and wellbeing. It will make it a better place for the children and teachers. I look forward to working with everyone.

#### **CONTACT US**

- You are welcome to talk to us in person at drop off and pick up.
- Currently, we can also be contacted by e-mail at **office@jkacademy.org.uk**. (insert: *For the attention of PTA* in the subject). Look out for our new PTA email address in the upcoming communications.



One-to-one training from West Ham United Football Club



Brunch at the Warehouse Caffé

Chocolate bouquet

£50 gift voucher for full set of nails

## Festive Raffle Tickets £1 each

Free one month gym membership at Peckham Pulse

A voucher from Peckham Plex cinema

Personalised gift set 50% off one item from River Island

Photo shoot including two images

and many more...



