



NJS PTA Newsletter



Autumn 2015

Key Dates this Half-Term

Friday 2nd October

PTA Cake Stall

&

Second Hand Uniform Sale

3.30pm

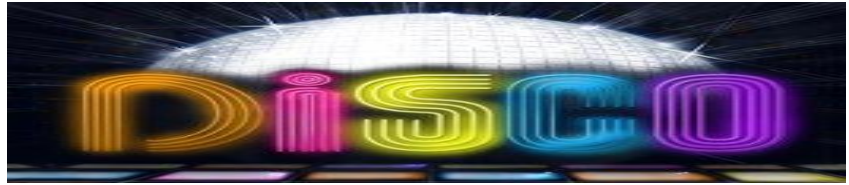
Wednesday 21st October

PTA Disco

3.30pm - 5pm

Thursday 12th November

Bags2School collection



Wednesday 21st October 3.30-5.00

All Year Groups

Have a boogie with your friends.

£1 Entry

Please bring a change of clothes in a bag to school to change into before the disco.

There will be snacks, drinks, sweets and glow sticks on sale so bring some pocket money along.

Parents to collect children from the school hall at 5pm using side door accessed from the playground. Disco is for NJS children only – no parents or siblings!

Welcome to NJS PTA.

We held the AGM on 16th September when the committee for 2015/2016 was selected. It was nice to see some new faces at the meeting.

All offers of help are gratefully received. It doesn't matter if you can't attend meetings, we need help with all sorts of different things throughout the school year.

Chair: Gemma Stacey

Treasurer: Liz Storey

Secretary: Megan Frost

PTA 100 Club

Our very own NJS Lottery! **£10** to join for the year

5 draws throughout the school year with **cash prizes**

Works out at only £2 per draw

Look out for the letter with full details coming home soon

You need to be in it to win it!

Cake Stall

Please can children bring in cakes, homemade or bought, on the Friday morning.

All our PTA Cake Stalls are for the whole school – we don't take it in turns by year group or class.

Plates of cakes will be sold for **£1** at 3.30pm outside the conservatory at the entrance to the playground.



You can now find us on Facebook, like and we will remind you of events that are coming up and of all things PTA! Just search for Newport Junior School PTA.

Where does the money go?

The PTA is run by parents and teachers and raises money and supports our school by helping pay for the extras to enrich your child's time here at NJS. All money raised goes back to school on items the PTA agree to fund which are requested by the staff or school council.

During 2014/2015 school year we raised just short of **£3000** which was used to buy **new laptops**, a metal **storage shed**, **playtime equipment**, Panto and Grand Day **Out refreshments**, Year 6 **Leavers Hoodies**, **Art Equipment** for all year groups and **Christmas Presents** for all children.

We also have allocated funds (£5000) raised in recent years to part fund the new Children's Kitchen Classroom which is being built as we speak. It will be open for use very soon.

What are we planning to fund next?

This term we are funding new music equipment and raising money for iPads to be used across all year groups to support the new ICT curriculum. As the year progresses and with your continued support we will be raising money for other items on the school's wish list.

We are always after **Second Hand Uniform** to sell. Please drop off at school anytime. Thank you for your continued support of our Second Hand Uniform Sales - donating and buying.

Look out for our next PTA Newsletter after half-term with details of the Christmas Fair, our biggest fund-raising event of the school year!!

Christmas Fair – Friday 11th December
2pm – 4pm in the school hall



Lots of stalls and games – old favourites such as Chocolate Tombola, Raffle, Bottle Tombola, Jar Stall, Crafts and some new ones as well!

We look forward to seeing you there.

The Giving Machine Support Newport C E Junior School

with free cash donations when you
shop online via
TheGivingMachine

Participating on-line shops pay "The Giving Machine" sales commission for directing shoppers to them. This commission is forwarded as free cash donations to the shoppers' chosen school – **Newport Junior School**.

All you have to do is remember to click via www.thegivingmachine.co.uk whenever you shop on-line. Every time you make an on-line purchase with your usual shops such as Amazon, eBay, Tesco, Asda, Marks & Spencer, holiday companies, insurers, in fact **over 350 of the UK's leading on-line shops**, your purchase will automatically generate a free donation for our school. It won't cost you anymore and you don't have to buy anything you wouldn't normally buy.

Free to join
Only supports charities and schools – a not for profit co.
Clearly states how much will be donated
If you are already donating for the Infants you can split or change where your donations go by adding Newport Junior School.

This is an incredibly easy way to raise funds for NJS without costing you anything at all! Please don't forget to tell your friends and family too – especially as Christmas is fast approaching. Together we can make a difference and raise extra cash for our school.
Just a handful of the 350 online stores that will donate:



BAGS 2 SCHOOL

We are joining forces with the Infant School to collect clothes, paired shoes etc. The items are weighed and we get paid per kg.

The first collection is on **THURSDAY 12th November**.
Please bring in bags of items that week to the school office from **Monday 9th - Thursday 12th November**.

Collection will be on Thursday morning. Please note we can no longer take bedding or curtains.

How can you help?

Can you or your company help us? Please speak to one of the PTA re prizes, sponsorship or donations.

Other ways to support

- Attending and supporting events
- making cakes
- help organising events (1/2 hour of your time would be great)
- Running a stall at the Christmas Fair
- attending meetings
- fundraising ideas or to offer your help speak to a member of the PTA or email us at

Thank you in advance

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