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GPTA Newsletter

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PTA Dates for your diary

Wed 12th Sept - 8pm Informal PTA committee meeting at the Woodman, all welcome

Fri 28th Sept - 9am the PTA supports parents organising the Macmillan coffee morning.

Fri 5th Oct - 8pm PTA social & AGM

Tue 16th Oct - 7-9pm Bag2School drop off

Wed 17th Oct - 9am Bag2School

Sat 3rd Nov - Fireworks

Sat 24th Nov - Christmas Fair

Fri 8th Dec - Children's Christmas Disco

Brief notes

Contact us

Email - mail@grevillepta.org.uk

PTA letterbox - in the school reception.

Vouchers - We collect the following:

- ◆ **Sainsbury Active Kids** - scheme now closed.
- ◆ **Nestlé Box Tops** - keep sending them in.
- ◆ **Tesco Computers for Schools** is closed now.

Welcome to the new school year, and for those of you who are new to the school, a very warm welcome to The Greville.

This newsletter is to kick off the new year and to let you know what activity the PTA has already planned. We try to publish newsletters twice a term, usually just before the end of the term or half term. In addition we have a notice board in the parent waiting area of the playground. All of our bookbag notes, like this one are printed on gold paper to distinguish them from school communications.

As parent at the school you are automatically a member of the PTA. We are here both to raise funds for the extras that help make the school a pleasant place to be for the children and staff and to foster relationships between those of us in the school community. We have our first committee meeting next Wednesday evening (12th, 8pm) at the Woodman, this one is very informal and as we mostly just discuss what events we would like to do during the year. Please come along if you think you might be interested in joining the committee or just finding out what we do.

Pauline Dulake, Greville PTA Chair

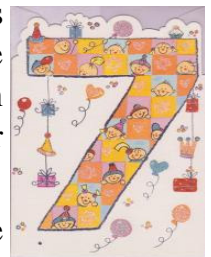


The date for submission of **Christmas Card artwork** this year is Wednesday 3rd October, and that's only 4 weeks away. You could also think about 'Thank You' cards or notelets which can

be printed blank inside. You can order these at the same time as your Christmas cards. You could also design cards



that say 'Happy Birthday' or the age your friends will be next school year on the front, but are blank inside for your own message.



Get your thinking caps on for those personalised cards of all sorts. The book bag giving you all the details and order forms will be with you shortly.



Our next Bag2School collection is 9am on Wed 17th October, with an additional evening drop off slot during parents evening the night before, so please bring along your bags of **ladies` , men`s, children`s clothing, bedding, curtains, soft toys, shoes, belts and handbags**. You can start collecting now as you don't need the special blue bags, black bin bags will do.

Greville Class Reps

The PTA supports a system of class reps that involves each class having one or two volunteers that are the liaison point for all parents and the PTA. The class rep will send a note around requesting names and contact details to create a list to be circulated around the class. This list is really useful for contacting other parents when you want to arrange a birthday party, a friend for tea or a coffee morning. There is no obligation to join the list or provide your details.

We also ask the class rep to coordinate running a stall at the Christmas and Summer Fairs which are big events and so much easier to hold when the work is shared around. The PTA committee provide plenty of support and advice with this so it is usually just a matter of asking a few parents to man a rota on the day, but if you want to be more involved you can be.

The class rep list can be found on our web site and noticeboard. If you would like to be class rep for your child's class please let us know (email or note in the PTA box), it can work well if you join forces with a friend. If you were class rep last year please confirm whether you can continue this year, or if you know of someone else who would.



PTA Social evening - Friday 5th October

This year we thought we would offer a social event early in the year where old and new parents can meet up for an informal gathering. We will be spending 15 minutes during the evening for the formal AGM and update on PTA business but the main event will be social. We will be providing free wine, beer, soft drinks and nibbles and have invited 10 or so external traders to hold stalls for you to browse. They include crafts, hand made cards, Phoenix cards, Accessories by LucyLou, Virgin Vie, Usborne Books, FM Perfumes, ladies accessories and our own second hand Greville uniform. Please make a note in your diary and email us if you would like to book a table.

Birthday Books - If your child has a birthday coming up and would like to contribute a book to the school library, the school would appreciate new or 'as new' non-fiction hardback books on selected curriculum related topics. We will put a list of topics to choose from up on the website shortly. The school will attach a book label with your child's name in it and the book will be presented to the school in assembly on or near their birthday.

Advertising - We offer those with connection to the school the opportunity to advertise in our newsletters. Adverts are 6x3 cms and cost £1 each. Copy dates are the Friday ten days before the end of each half term. You can email your copy to mail@grevillepta.org.uk and leave payment in the PTA box or leave the copy and payment in the box. Double size boxes are £2. Please note that presence of an advert does not signify an endorsement by the PTA or school.

Second hand school uniform is stored and sold by the PTA. The next sale will be at the PTA social evening on 6th October. If you have any Greville school uniform that you have grown out of, but is still in reasonable condition, please donate it to the PTA, via the school office, likewise if you need anything please give us a call on 272478.

Or email

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