HMS PTA NEWSLETTER Summer II 2018

FUNDRAISING NEWS ...

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The Summer Fair raised a grand total of £3,115.28!

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A huge thanks to everyone who made this possible.

It meant we could promise to replace the computers in Orchard Block.

Did you know?

In February 2018 PTA UK changed its name to **Parentkind**. We are members of this organisation for PTAs. To learn more about it, you can visit: <u>https://www.parentkind.org.uk/</u>







Thank you everyone for your support over the last school year and watch this space for the **summer special draw** coming soon.

Anyone wanting to join the 200 Club for the new school year can contact me direct on at

clair.prentice@gmail.com

LATEST 200 CLUB WINNERS

May 2018 Winners 1st Prize Angela Lambert £25 2nd Prize Karen Wright £15

June 2018 Winners 1st Prize Gail Dover-Pearce £25 2nd Prize Lucy Mackenzie £15

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?



- £250 To fund Year 8 Leavers' Disco
- £237 To fund KS3 author visit Dan Smith
- **£100** To give Year 6 students a SATs treat
- **£200** To replace headphones for Orchard Block computer room

BIG THANKS to...

Our PTA Co-Chairs Lorna Beech & Kim Sanderson

...for your time, leadership, and unending good humour!

From the rest of the PTA and on behalf of all HMS pupils, teachers, and staff. We appreciate all you do.

You two are **STARS**



DIARY

Dates

for your

Bags2School: September

The next collection date for your used clothes. Over the summer, please keep placing all your donations in sturdy rubbish bags or collect Bags2Schools bags from the office when you can.

September AGM & Welcome PTA Meeting: September

This PTA meeting is for all current parents and carers interested in participating in HMS PTA or learning more about it. We also welcome all new Year 5 parents and carers interested in what we do and how to get involved. Refreshments provided.

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Meet Claire Knowles

I'm Claire. I am mum to Ava (year 8) and Stella (year 6). I work full time from home and have been at HMS for a year and a half, having moved from the US in 2016.

I came along to the AGM last September, not knowing anyone and only having been at the school for one term. Everyone was really friendly, so I decided to jump in and take on the role of secretary.

Occasionally there is a lot of do (around the summer fair and Christmas), but mostly it's an hour or two a week of my time. I've loved the opportunity to help support the kids and the school. As a middle school mum, there aren't the same opportunities to pop into school and help out. Being a PTA member means I have gotten to know the school and teachers a lot better and I really like being able to see the kids at school and at PTA organized events (I am sure my girls would say the same thing! ;-).

Our Next PTA Meeting is...



From your HMS PTA,

We wish pupils, teachers, staff, and families a **wonderful summer** holiday!



HMS PTA want to wish all our **Year 8 students** a fond farewell as they get ready to leave HMS. We also wish them much success in their new schools. We are excited about what the future holds for them!

You are capable of more than you know. Choose a goal that seems right for you and strive to be the best, however hard the path. Aim high. Behave honorably. Prepare to be alone at times, and to endure failure. Persist! The world needs all you can give. "

E. O. Wilson

We also say **goodbye** and **good luck** to all Year 8 parents and carers who are leaving us too.



What we are working on...

This year, the PTA have been successful in securing funding of £5,000 from Tesco's 'Bags of help' Groundwork scheme to provide bench seating for all 4 year group yards. Installation work should begin over the summer...

Want to get involved? Do you have some great ideas? Please email: HMSPTASecretary@gmail.com