

Summer

Newsletter 2014



It's hard to believe but we are in the last few weeks of the summer term and as a PTA we are building up to what is probably our biggest event of the school year - The Summer Fete. Last years was an amazing success, with a great turn out and lovely weather to match, and we have been busy here making plans to make sure this years is just as good, if not better.

Dates for the Diary:

PTA Meeting – Tuesday 8th July

There is a PTA meeting on Tuesday 8th July at 6.30pm in the Anstey Room to finalise Summer Fete arrangements. Please do come along if you can. The PTA fund a lot of activities and provisions (Mathletics, classroom ipads, leavers presents for year 6, subsidising school trips, to name a few). This means that the children can experience more at school than the school budget can fund. Any new members will be warmly welcomed.

Non-Uniform Day – Friday 11th July

As always we will have tombola at the fete and are asking for donations in return for children wearing non-school uniform. Bottles for upper school and chocolate for lower.

Summer 'Seaside' Fete – Friday 18th July

As with last year the summer fete will be held between 5:00 and 7.00. There will be a BBQ, a beer tent, cakes, an ice-cream van, as well as all the usual stalls and games, face painting and temporary tattoos. The drama group will be performing their short play, the RockSteady Groups will be playing and the Dance Club will be showing us their moves. We are hoping for a lovely social event that Mums, Dads, Grannies and Grandads can all come to. Hopefully it will coincide with teatime and what could be easier than popping back to the school for a burger? We have to just keep our fingers crossed for good weather!

So a plea for help: Firstly, please do come and support the event it would be such a shame for the school if we have a poor turnout. It is a great way to celebrate the end of the school year and a chance for you to socialise and hopefully have some fun.

Secondly this kind of event cannot happen without volunteers. We know how busy you all are but without volunteers it just will not be possible. If a few people give up ½ an hour it would mean that everyone will get a chance to enjoy the festivities. We need people to BBQ, help on cakes, stalls, set up and clear away. There will be a rota in the office a bit nearer the time but please to contact one of us or the office if you can help or have any special talents we can make the most of.



Also we would love to have some gazebos for the fete, so if you have one that we would be able to borrow please let the office know.

There will be more information about the fete coming soon with a list of stalls and times for performances – but put it in your diary and invite the family – let's make it a success.

Final Event - End of year discos – Tuesday 22nd July

(Lower school 5:15-6:30pm; Upper school -6:45-8:00pm)

More details to follow shortly with ticket prices and forms to return, but it is going to have a beach theme (no swimwear though!!!!)

Children, we need your help!

It's poster competition time!

Just for fun, we're giving the fete a 'Summer Seaside' theme but we need help designing a picture to put on the front cover. You could draw one of our fun stalls or come up with a seaside scene, it is up to you.

Winning pictures will be used on our Summer Fete posters and programmes and all entries will need to be handed in to school by Friday 11th July. Remember to put your name and class on the back – good luck!

Also don't forget.....

Easyfundraising – This is a FREE service where you can shop with your favourite online stores and at no extra cost raise funds for the school. You still shop directly with each retailer as you would normally, but simply by using the links from the site first, each purchase you make will generate a cash back donation to the school, instantly raising money. For example make any purchase from Amazon and 2.5% will be donated or purchase a mobile phone from O2 and earn £17.50, and so on. You can shop with 2000+ brand name retailers and to raise funds you just use the links from the site first – it's that simple! The website link is <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ansteyjnrpta> simply register and then continue shopping. You will also receive regular offers and updates via email on how you can raise extra money

Alton Toy Shop – Alton Toy Shop have kindly agreed to help towards our fundraising. When you pay please tell the cashier that you would like to donate to Anstey Junior School and they will donate 10% of the cost of your purchase to the school, but the great thing is it won't cost you any extra, so all those birthday and Christmas present purchases will help towards the school and support a local business.

As always, if you have any ideas for fundraising, or you have a skill which would be helpful in any of our events, or would just like to help out please do let us know through the school office. Our next meeting is Tuesday 8th July, 6.30pm.

Thank you,
Anstey PTA

