



Oswald Road School PTA

Summer Term Newsletter

Another busy term has flown by. Thanks to everyone who came along to the PTA Family Ceilidh just before the Easter holidays. A huge thank you to Mouse's Nest, our wonderful ceilidh band for providing the music, and of course all the parent volunteers who helped make the event a great success. Hope you all enjoyed yourselves, and thank you for all the kind messages and feedback about the event. Looks like we'll be running another one next year!

During the Easter holidays work was carried out on the school hall to install a built-in audio/ PA system, a removable stage and lighting set up, and blinds for the large windows. This work was funded completely by money raised through the PTA- thanks to everyone for attending and supporting our various events over the last year to make this work possible. We have also been able to fund musical instruments and reading challenge books in the last term.

Our big evening event this term is our Auction of Promises- an event we only hold every other year. We're collecting ideas for auction lots now- so if you can offer anything big or small, serious or strange, please get in touch!

We're looking more for experiences, skills or help more than material things- previous lots have included everything from making breakfast for someone, cleaning a car or making a cake/pudding once a week for a month; garden, bike or car maintenance; website design or business support; a few hours tuition in maths, a language, photography or baking; a 'behind the scenes tour; through to the donation of a weekend in a family caravan, a holiday cottage, and even an overnight film and pyjama party at school for a class with their teachers!

So, if you have something you can offer, from a skill, hobby, job or interesting connection that can be turned into a lot in our auction- please get in touch in the next few weeks! Our email address is oswaldPTAchair@gmail.com .

We have lots of events planned for the summer term- there's something for everyone. Hope to see you there!

Many thanks,

Mark

Summer Term Events

Treasure Hunt- Sunday 21st May 10am-5pm- Main school entrance

Following on from our first Chorlton treasure hunt last year, we'll be devising another round of questions and clues to follow this spring. Come along anytime on the day and collect your entry sheet from outside the main school entrance, follow the clues and questions, then bring your sheet back to get your prize and certificate! Entry is £5 per family, the treasure hunt will take around 1-2 hours to complete and be based walking round central Chorlton.

Mini 5-a-side Tournament- Sunday 21st May 2-5pm- School playground

After last year's epic clash to inaugurate the new all-weather surfaces on the playground, we'll be staging the world's hottest Chorlton-based football tournament of 2017 to see who will win the coveted Golden Owl this year! Teams will play against other teams in their approximate age group in a mini-league style, so every team has several matches and an equal chance to win the league. There will be a 4-a-side adult category too for parents and carers! Snacks will be available on the day. Entry is £10 per team (£2 per player) and you must enter your team in advance (forms available at main reception from Tuesday 2nd May). Teams will be limited so book early!

Auction of Promises- Friday 16th June 7:45pm-10:30pm- Oswald Road Primary School

Our biannual Auction of Promises evening will be running this summer. Come and bid on some money-can't-buy auction lots. Past lots have included everything from cooking a special meal, fixing a bike, to a stay in a holiday cottage! There will be a bar on the evening serving drinks and snacks.

Summer Fair- Saturday 1st July 11am-2pm- Oswald Road Primary School

Quite literally all the fun of the fair, with games, stalls, facepainting, arts and crafts room, a bouncy castle and lots more! Plus the summer bake-off cake competition and mini-gardens competition.

Big Oswald Road Summer Picnic- Sunday 16th July 12-2pm- Longford Park

Free social event, great opportunity to get together with friends, families and staff to celebrate the end of the school year. Just turn up, bring your own picnic and join in the fun!

End of Term Disco- Main School Hall

Foundation Stage & KS1- Tuesday 18th July 6pm-7:15pm KS2- Wednesday 19th July 6pm-7:30pm

Get you dancing shoes on and celebrate the end of the school year in style! Entry will be £1.50 per child. Sweets and snacks will also be on sale.

PS. Keep up to date with all our events by clicking "like" on our Facebook page (Oswald Road PTA-FORS)