

Oswald Road Winter Fair

Just a few weeks now until it's time for the Oswald Road Winter Fair to help get you into the festive spirit! This year the fair is on **Saturday 2nd December 11am-2pm** in the main school hall (Holly Hall), the Year 1 classes (Reindeer Road) and also some of the Year 2 classes (Christmas Crescent).

We know it can get a bit crowded so we are going to use a bit more of the ground floor this year.

There'll be lots of great activities for all the family- stalls, Santa's grotto, a craft room, bouncy castle, grand raffle draw, the café selling Rachel's famous Vegetarian Christmas Curry, the infamous cake stall, face painting, henna tattoos, hand writing analysis and this year amongst other things a 'Match Attack Swap Stall'! Lots of things to help us get in the mood for the festive season!

Don't forget to book your place for Santa's Grotto- the booking form will be at the main school reception, and places fill up fast. You can also pick up the details from reception on how to enter the Christmas Cribs competition and the Christmas Bake Off!

All money raised goes directly to the school and this term so far the PTA have funded a new PSHE scheme of works for the whole school, some additional play equipment for lunch times and early years and are funding some additional bamboo screening for the Year 1 playground area. We are in discussion with the school about what the next purchases ought to be and have some interesting longer term plans that we are working on.

What you can do to help?

Volunteer your time to help at the fair: The Winter Fair is a great school event and a lovely way to connect with the school and other parents. We always need volunteer helpers and the more volunteers we have the more we can share the workload! If you can help to either set up on Friday 1st December after school or on the morning of the Fair, or to work on a stall during the fair, or – more importantly- to help us clear up at the end that would be great. If you'd like to be added to the PTA mailing list please contact me know via email oswaldPTAchair@gmail.com with the words Winter Volunteer in the subject bar please.

Learn to facepaint: We are especially short of people who can facepaint at our events, so if you fancy learning or brushing up your skills, we're running an event after school Monday 20th November from 3:30-4:30pm. Pop along to the Miss Glendon's classroom in Reception to learn the basics- bring your kids to practice on! All materials supplied.

Donate toys, books, DVDs, CDs, tombola gifts and raffle prizes: If you fancy a pre-Christmas declutter, please bring any sellable items from the list above to the school reception. If you work for a company or local business that could supply a prize for the raffle or tombola, please bring it into reception or email oswaldPTAchair@gmail.com

Drop off a can of tinned tomatoes or chickpeas: The café will be serving hotdogs and vegetarian curry- if you could donate a tin of tomatoes or chickpeas for the curry by the end of November, the PTA Elves will do the rest!

Buy raffle tickets: Raffle tickets will be sent out shortly to each family, with some great prizes from £100 of restaurant vouchers, a tablet and, of course, a cuddly toy. You could win an early Christmas present! The raffle represents a very important part of the fundraising aspect of the Winter Fair so please do your best to either buy some tickets yourself or to encourage, family, friends and neighbours to buy some.

Enter the baking competition: All cakes entered in the baking competition are sold at the fair, so even if you don't win you'll still help raise money. Pick up a form from reception for further details.

Hope to see you all there, many thanks – The PTA Committee: Gaynor Armstrong (Chair), Rachel Cohen-Jackson (Vice Chair), Jane Culverhouse (Secretary) & Lou Owens (Treasurer)



OSWALD ROAD PTA (FORS)

WINTER FAIR

SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER

11 - 2PM



BOUNCY CASTLE * CAFE * CRAFTS * GAMES * STALLS

RAFFLE * GROTTTO * FACE PAINTING * BAKE OFF



If you would like to volunteer
at the fair to help run a stall for
an hour or more, or set up or clear up
please contact Gaynor at
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or 07860 911469

Don't forget to book your time
slot to meet Father Christmas
at the school office.

