



Stamford Green

Primary School and Nursery

Charity Number: 1015916

PTA

'Community enrichment through fun and fundraising'

December 2025

Festive thanks from your PTA team

Dear Families,

As we come to the end of a busy and joyful autumn term, the PTA would like to extend a **heartfelt thank you** to every parent, carer, teacher, and friend who has volunteered their time and energy this year. Whether you organised an event, helped at an after school sale, sold tokens, helped to run a stall, donated items, or simply showed up to support an event, **you made a real difference**. Our community spirit is what makes this school such a special place for our children, and none of our activities would be possible without the kindness and enthusiasm you bring.

Thanks to your efforts, we've raised valuable funds for new learning resources, playground enhancements, and enrichment opportunities that the children will enjoy throughout the year. More importantly, we've helped create moments of joy, connection, and celebration that bring our whole school family together.

As we look ahead to an exciting new year, we'd also like to introduce our PTA Trustees – the team of volunteers who help guide our activities, ensure we work responsibly, and keep everything running smoothly:

- **Shelley Illingworth, Chair** – Leads our meetings, oversees activities, and supports the team in bringing ideas to life.
- **Megan Hart and Olivia Pearce, Co-Vice Chairs** – Help coordinate events and supports the Chair.
- **John Sheehy, Treasurer** – Manages PTA finances and helps us plan fundraising responsibly.
- **Heike Oulaghan, Secretary** – Keeps our records organised and ensures all tasks are actioned.
- **Louise Druce, School Lead** – Ensures good communication across the PTA and school and that we work together so the children benefit.

We're incredibly grateful to them – and to all of you – for giving your time so generously.

If you'd like to get involved in any way, big or small, we'd love to hear from you. Every contribution makes a difference, and everyone is welcome. Our next PTA meeting is on **Wednesday 21st January 2026 at 8pm, at The Blenheim Pub**. We'd love to see you there!

Wishing all our families a happy, restful, and magical December, and we look forward to seeing you in the new year!

Best wishes,
Shelley Illingworth
PTA Chair

Dates for your diary

Second hand uniform sale

Please hand any donations to the school office. Next sale is Wednesday 10th December, 8.35-9.00am



200 Club – PTA Lottery



Tickets for the PTA 200 Club 2025-2026 are now available. We need volunteers to help sell the tickets before and after each year group's Christmas performance. Please email PTA@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk if you are able to help.

Christmas jumper and non-uniform day



Thursday 11th December

Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper to school if they wish, for a donation of £1 to Save the Children. More details on how to donate follow.



Letters to Father Christmas

Hopefully everyone caught the special post boxes in each classroom to post their letters to Father Christmas. If you would like to make an optional donation to the PTA for your child's personalised response, then [PTA Events](#) has been set up for donations of various amounts.

PTA meeting

Wednesday 21st January, 8pm

Our next meeting is Wednesday 21st January at the Blenheim pub. Please join us. All welcome!





Say hello to the PTA Trustees

John Sheehy,
Treasurer
Y3 Parent

Olivia, Megan and Shelley
enjoying last year's colour run!



Louise Druce, School
Lead



Shelley Illingworth, PTA Chair
Y3 Parent



Olivia Pearce, Co-Vice Chair
Y3 and Reception Parent



Heike Oulaghan,
Secretary
Y3 Parent



Megan Hart, Co-Vice Chair
Y3 Parent

Christmas shop & fundraising opportunities

Please help the PTA by boosting fundraising from your shopping online this Christmas or enquiring with your employer about any match-funding activities.

EASYFUNDRAISING

With the old Amazon Smile programme discontinued, easyfundraising is a simple and free way to raise money for our school whenever you shop online – and it costs you nothing extra: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stamfordgreenprimary/>
We already have 132 supporters, but with 400+ families at the school, there's plenty of room to grow – and every new supporter helps. So far we've raised **£1,847.42** – a great start!

How it works

There are 8,000+ retailers on board – from supermarkets to fashion, homewares, travel and more.

When you shop, start at easyfundraising (via their website, app or browser “Donation Reminder”) and then click through to your retailer as usual. After you checkout, the retailer gives a small “thank you” donation directly to our school — at no extra cost to you.

What you might raise

Donation amounts vary by retailer and by purchase. For example: John Lewis & Partners – up to 1.5% donation; Marks & Spencer – up to 12%; Argos – up to 4%; and many others.

EASYSEARCH

In addition, you can ditch Google, Yahoo! or Bing, in favour of:

<http://stamfordgreenprimary.easysearch.org.uk/>

By using easysearch instead of Google or any other search engine, you can make a real difference. easysearch is completely FREE and by making just 10 searches a day, you could raise around £20 a year for to your chosen cause.

EMPLOYER-LED MATCH-FUNDING

Lloyds Banking Group offers a match-funding scheme for employees to receive up to £1,000 per year for charitable donations and volunteering. Recent Lloyds Bank match-funding generated £500 for an hour's worth of a dad volunteering at the firework event. Investigate this with your employers as they may provide a similar benefit.

NON-UNIFORM DAYS

For all non-uniform events going forward, donations can be made in cash or via SumUp machine at the school gates, and you will also have the option to scan a QR code, displayed around school and in the newsletters.





Save the Children

Christmas Jumper Day

Wear a Christmas jumper and non-uniform day
Thursday 11th December 2025 £1 donation for
the charity Save the Children.



All proceeds will be donated to Save the Children

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/>