

Stamford Green Primary School

'Community enrichment through fun and fundraising'

November 2021

Keeping Christmas Festivities Alive!

There is a definite Christmas feel in the air and hopefully the excitement will continue to grow as December arrives and we all get to enjoy a semblance of Christmas this year.

The PTA in conjunction with the wonderful staff and teachers at Stamford Green have been working very hard to make things as festive and 'normal' as possible for our families and children.

Christmas cards kicked off the fun (back in September!) and these should have been received in book bags last week. Last Friday we had an inaugural **Wreath Making** evening which has received fantastic feedback and we hope will become an annual fixture. This week **Christmas Trees** can be collected from the school, the **Christmas Disco** is on Thursday 2nd December, **Mufti Day** in return for chocolate for the tombola at the **Christmas Winter Wonderland** on Friday 3rd December, and Christmas **Puddings**, **Raffle and Winter Wonderland** are taking place week commencing 6th December.

It's a busy time for everyone but your help is always so appreciated;

- Please do volunteer to make these events a success.
- If you are able to donate any gifts for the Christmas Raffle please get in touch at <u>ptastamfordgreen@gmail.com</u>
- PLEASE do sign up to donate to Stamford Green if you are buying gifts and food online in the run up to Christmas. Many companies provide a % fee for free—so register to donate to Stamford Green—it is fee and very easy but together it makes a big different to the PTA and school.
- Looking forwards to next term we are looking for a volunteer/group of volunteers to run our Quiz Night. This is always a popular event so please contact us if you can help.

Wishing you all a very happy and restful Christmas period.

Anne-Marie

PTA Chair



Don't forget to like our Stamford Green PTA Facebook page and keep up-todate with news



The next PTA
meeting will take
place on 26th
January at The
Blenheim Public
House



Please take the opportunity to register for free donations when you spend money online for Christmas

Dates for your diary

Christmas Trees

Wednesday 1st December



If you have collected a Christmas Tree please collect from the school on 1/12/21 from 3-7pm

Christmas Disco Thursday 2nd December



Tickets £4—book on PTA Events by noon on Wednesday 1st December

Mufti Day Friday 3rd December

Chocolate donations for the Christmas Winter Wonderland



Winter Wonderland Friday 10th December

Fun and festivities for the whole family



Are you able to spare some time for the following roles? If so, please get in touch via

ptastamfordgreen@gmail.com

 <u>Fundraisers</u>—this role involves liaising with local businesses to collect gifts and prizes for our school raffle events



A HUGE thank you to Elle
Vellacott and the PTA Firework
team as well as the staff,
teachers, parents and pupils
who helped make this such a
fantastic evening.

It was lovely to be back together



Thank you to all the 'helpful' children and donating parents, family and friends. So far we have raised £1,600 from this initiative.





Christmas Wreath Making

A big thank you to Rachael Mclean-Anderson and Honeybunch for a very enjoyable evening with Christmas music, mince pies, mulled wine and prosecco. There are some wonderful new Christmas wreaths now adorning the doors of the local community





Estate Agent boards

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to have a board up at their property advertising our Christmas Event, and to Leigh-Ann Herman for co-ordinating it.

This raised £500 for the PTA!

PTA Mufti Day — Friday 10th December

Children should wear mufti/Christmas jumper in exchange for a chocolate donation for the Chocolate Tombola at the Winter Wonderland.

Please remember that we are a nut free school!



PTA Christmas Disco Thursday, 2nd December

Please see the recent letter for detailed information including pick up and drop off times and locations. Tickets are £4.00 on PTA Events and must be bought before 12

noon on Wednesday 1 December.

Times

- Y1 and Y2 4.00pm to 4.45pm
- Y3 and Y4 4.45pm to 5.30pm
- Y5 and Y6 5.30pm to 6.15pm

No child will be able to walk home unaccompanied as it will be dark so all must be collected by a parent/carer.

Bring a named water bottle for your child.

Please take your child's coat home and bring it back for collection.

Special thanks to Georgina Preston and Shelley Illingworth for running this event for the PTA, and the staff and parent helpers







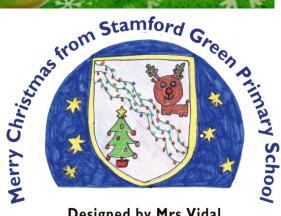
Stamford Green Sticky Toffee Pudding

This year the school staff had the opportunity to design the label. These were then judged by the Pupil Leadership Team and the winning design chosen was by Mrs Vidal—congratulations! Thank you to all the staff who joined in the fun and submitted a drawing.

Unfortunately these limited edition puddings are now completely sold out!

They will be distributed via book bags week commencing 6th December.

We hope you and your loved ones enjoy them over the festive season.



Designed by Mrs Vidal

ULTIMATE STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING

A really sumptuous date sponge with plenty of luscious caramel sauce

Winter Wonderland Friday 10th December 4.00pm - 7.00pm

Please join us on for an afternoon of festivities. There will be an opportunity to see the fantastic Christmas lights, win Chocolate in the infamous Chocolate Tombola, meet Father Christmas, buy some Christmas gifts at the Market, play some festive games, enjoy a warming mulled wine, hot chocolate or something to eat from the BBQ.

Christmas crafts will also be available to buy in a dedicated classroom for each year group.

- YN Swans
- YR RP
- Y1 1B
- Y2 2W
- Y3 3S
- Y4 4V
- Y5 5S & 5T in 5S and 5P & 5B in 5B
- Y6 in 6C

There will be carol singing with Mrs Rutherford by the stage on the playground for each year group and their parents/carers at the following times;

- ♦ 4.20pm YN
- ♦ 4.40pm YR
- ♦ 5.00pm Y1
- ♦ 5.20pm Y2
- ♦ 5.40pm Y3
- ♦ 6.00pm Y4
- ♦ 6.15pm Y5 (5P & 5T)
- ♦ 6.30pm Y5 (5S & 5B)
- ♦ 6.50pm Y6



- Please note that games close at 6.45pm so that Y6 can meet on the stage for their carol singing.
- Half an hour is suggested to visit the lights, market and games before the Carols so you can time your visit accordingly.
- The Market stallholders and the BBQ/Bar will take cash/card payment but all the games and children's Christmas crafts will require tokens which will be on sale before and after school w/c 6th December at £5.00 for 12 or on the night for 50p each.
 (Note: For new parents it is suggested that approximately 2 bundles of tokens are needed
- Entry is by donation via PTA Events.
- Please also pre-order for the BBQ via PTA Events.

Online fundraising and Christmas shopping

Please help the PTA by boosting fundraising from shopping online.

It costs you nothing and is honestly really simple to use!



1. Amazon Smile

Did you know that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price to Stamford Green (at NO expense to You!)

Follow the steps below to register SGPTA as

you charity and shop away!

So far we have raised £466.48 through Amazon Smile and with the festive season approaching there is scope to raise a lot more!

2. Easyfundraising

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stamfordgreenprimary/

AMAZON SMILE NOW AVAILABLE ON THE APP!!

Did you know that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price to Stamford Green (at NO EXPENSE TO YOU!).

Follow the steps below to register "Stamford Green School Parent Teachers Association" as your charity and shop away!

Thank you in advance for your support!

amazonsmile You shop. Amazon gives.

(1) Get starte

Open the Amazon Shopping app on your phone

2 Find settings

Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'

(3) Turn on AmazonSmile

Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the activation

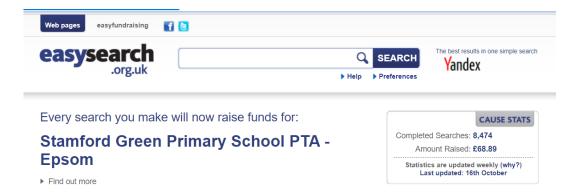


We now have 134 people on easyfundraising but over 350 families at the school so we have a long way to go to maximise this opportunity. So far we have raised £2,207.

If you do your weekly shop online, you can raise up to £3.00 with Tesco, or Sainsbury's. Plus there are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, and the trainline – it won't cost you a penny extra!

2. Use a different search engine. 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.



3. Match funding. If you're volunteering to support one of our events please check to see if your company will **match fund** your time?

