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Dear Parents/Carers,

On my desk at school I have a story that was given to me by my Grandad, many moons ago and it continues to influence me today:

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could've done.

I am pretty sure these words guided him, whilst serving in WWII as his battalion rallied to destroy the Jahore Battery and outrun the Japanese military. Whilst Remembrance Day is in all our thoughts at the moment, before that though, we have our annual PTA Fireworks Night. The good news is that we will not be having to outrun an enemy but we do need **everybody** to acknowledge that these events do not happen when **nobody** volunteers and you could be the **somebody** that makes a difference!

Ciara Duffy has organised the event successfully for many year and is handing over to Elle Vellacott next year so my sincere thanks goes out to both of them. Overseeing this event is a challenge they have both risen to so that we can all enjoy the night and raise money for your children. The easier parts of the night you can all help with as the jobs have all been listed on PTA Events and are for small amounts of time so that you can still enjoy the event with your family. Please be the somebody that signs up so that the event runs smoothly and queues for the bar, BBQ and glow stall are smaller.

You will notice on PTA Events that we need 21 volunteers (1 per class), to stay after fireworks and clear up for 15 minutes. This is because at the end of the Summer Fair and Stay and Play events, we noticed that it was the same members of staff and parents clearing up. This will be my 13th fireworks event that I have gladly helped at but many hands make light work at the end of the evening. We have prepared a list of clear down jobs so if you are able to help, I will be standing on the stage sharing out quick jobs. Our Head Boy has helped to clean up after so many events in the last few years so may be your older children can help too.

Anybody can make a difference so thank you in advance, especially if you have already volunteered.

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