



St Michael's PTA is a registered Charity: 504916

PTA – October 2016 Newsletter

Dear Members of our PTA

Academy Christmas Fayre Thursday 24 November 4 – 8 pm

This is a great opportunity to snap up some ideas for Christmas with a range of stalls selling gifts, jewellery and cards with our usual raffle, tombola and of course a host of festive refreshments too!

If you have an idea for a stall please give us a call, or you know a small trader who would like to be there it's just £5 for a table.

We need donations for the raffle prizes please, anyone who is able to gift a main prize like a TV or Kindle, we'd love to hear from you (and happy of course to give PR for your generosity), bottles of wine, spirits, gift packs etc. Additionally you could help with donations towards the chocolate tombola – selection boxes, chocolate bars etc. – if it's chocolate it will be fine!

We need volunteers to man the stalls that the Academy will be running, bric-a-brac, tombola, the raffle, refreshment stall etc. – so don't be shy, we'd love the help please.

Next PTA Meeting & AGM

Wednesday 9th November 6.00 pm – planning for the Christmas Fayre

Monday 21st November 6.00 pm **AGM**

This is the meeting where all current members step down and we hope we have a rush of volunteers from parents to want to take up the mantle and move the PTA into new directions, with exciting visions of what can be delivered to support school. If you would like to volunteer to be more actively involved please contact us ahead of the meeting so we can propose you for election. We are particularly seeking replacements for Chair, Treasurer, Secretary – however, if you don't want one of these roles, we can still volunteer to be on the PTA.

Events don't happen without your support, so if you can volunteer to join us at our meetings and be a part of planning and fundraising, in whatever way works for you and your family, helping on the night itself with meet and greet, selling raffle tickets and serving drinks, if you can donate prizes for the raffle then we want to hear from you please. We welcome all

additional help, we're really just like you, we work, we have children at school and are masters at juggling many balls (and if we drop any have a ready smile to pick it up and keep on going!) so if you can volunteer please do let us know, email: pta@stmichaelsacademy.org.uk or call Pat on 07770455651.

Unwanted Gifts & Fundraising

Fundraising never stops so if you have received presents that you know you won't use, please don't hoard, consider donating them to us to use as raffle prizes during the year. There is a constant need for the PTA to support the financial challenges the Academy will continue to face (we desperately need the astro turf replaced and that is another huge project to fund). If you could spare time to help with fundraising, or hold a fundraising event of your own, a car boot sale or sponsored run etc., then we need to hear from you please, if you can't attend a PTA meeting then just email us at: pta@stmichaelsacademy.org.uk or you can leave a message at the Academy or via my mobile: 07770455651.

Forward Planner Community Coffee & Events

We all have busy diaries so that you can plan your time to support the Academy, these are an indication of our forthcoming events. Please do show your support we really do need you.

Christmas Fayre 24 November 2016 (Craft Stall bookings available)
St Patrick's Night 17 March 2017
Summer Fayre 7 July 2017 (Craft Stall bookings available)

Academy Numbers Club -September Winners

1 st	No: 1616	P Wilcox	£100
2 nd	No: 1652	D Errington	£50
3 rd	No: 1612	PJ Saunders	£30

If you are not yet in our number club please consider joining, this is one of the easiest ways to help us with regular giving and also creates an opportunity for you to be a winner too! If you want to join please email: pwilcox@stmichaelsacademy.org.uk

It's a simple subscription form, you commit to paying £1.00 per month, with winners drawn every month. You will become a valuable contributor to our fundraising through this club – and of course, a bit like the lottery, **you need to be in it to win it!**

Best regards

Pat

Pat Chambers (Chair of St Michael's PTA - Mobile: 07770455651)