



PTA Newsletter

Sacred Heart Primary School, Battersea

Dear Parents and Carers,

24th November 2017

Welcome to our autumn term newsletter. First, we would like to thank all of you for your amazing support so far this year. We are planning some great events for the rest of the school year that will help raise money for the school playground, a lovely new carpet and some sturdy wooden building blocks for the Nursery, some planks for Reception and a new carpet for the MPR room, to mention but a few. These events will also be lots of fun too, which will strengthen our school community and enrich our children.

Who We Are

Every parent/ carer of a child in Sacred Heart Primary School is automatically a member of the PTA. The **PTA** is made of parents and staff, who volunteer to organize events to raise money. We usually meet every 5-6 weeks to discuss events or as and when necessary before each event. Almost each class now has a '**Class Representative**', who keeps parents up to date and helps at events by manning stalls (class 2H and 5G still need to be represented).

Why have PTA

As school budgets are stretched, our main aim is to raise money for the school, especially for the equipment and facilities that will benefit the children. The PTA provides invaluable funds to enhance the school's provision. It is also an excellent way to help the school community thrive and build strong links between parents and teachers. Our annual target is £10,000 and our first big project is revamping the playground with new gym /climbing equipment.

Let's Celebrate!

Boccia Balls for Hillary House arrived this week and will be given to the children in Hillary House at the Monday Assembly. We are very proud of them, as Ms Ormond shared with us, they have been winning Boccia Competitions! Well done boys and girls!

What's Next? As soon as our Charity bank account is open, and we have voted in the Constitution (December 5th at the Extraordinary General Meeting) we will be applying for a charitable status. This will enable us to approach big organizations for funding.

EasyFundraising <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sacredheartpsbattersea/>

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Sacred Heart Primary School - Battersea?

There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, the trainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

1. Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sacredheartpsbattersea/> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and PTA @Sacred Heart Primary School - Battersea will be grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support. Do you shop online? Do it through [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and raise a free donation for Sacred Heart Primary School - Battersea every time you shop!
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Save the day!

Christmas Fair on Friday 15th December 3.30 – 6.00pm.

With only 21 days left till the Christmas Fair, we would be extremely grateful for any donations towards to the Christmas Fair at our school on Friday 15th of December.

Donations can be brought into the school from Monday, November 27th until Monday 11th December 2017:

- Unwanted Christmas decorations
- Mince pies
- Red Wine
- Cloudy Apple juice
- Soft toys (if possible already washed and in very good condition)
- Unwanted board games/puzzles & books (must be complete and in very good condition)
- New unwanted gifts which can be used for the raffle prizes / tombola
- Luxury items for hampers, including bottles of alcohol, chocolates, biscuits, coffee, jams
- Wrapping paper, sticky tape, gift tags & ribbon
- Unused toiletries, pampering vouchers



We would also be grateful, if parents can lend us some Xmas lights, which will be returned to you afterwards (please label anything you would like returned to you with the name of your child and their class)

From Monday 11th December, we will also be needing to sort through all the donated items, if you are available for a couple of hours do let us know. If you can help us run a stall on this day or can contribute in any other way, please contact the pta@sacredheartschoolbattersea.co.uk or your Class Representative. We are looking forward to working with you.

THANK YOU.

PTA Committee