

# Friends of St Peter's News

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## FESTIVE FUN AT ST PETER'S

### St Peter's Annual Christmas Shoebox Appeal

This week, you may have picked up your Shoebox to support one of our three different good causes:

Teams4U – donate a shoebox filled with gifts for vulnerable children and their families in Romania

Oxfordshire Animal Sanctuary – donate a shoebox filled with treats and toys for pets in their care this Christmas

Witney Food Bank – donate a shoebox full of emergency food to help local people in crisis this Christmas and New Year.

Once you have collected a shoebox and decided which charity to support, you can spend the next few weeks filling it, then return it to school by Wednesday 7 November. Your generosity will have a really positive impact on the people and pets supported by our chosen charities this Christmas season.

### Christmas Bazaar Saturday 24 November 2-4pm

Planning for the Christmas Bazaar 2018 is already well underway! The Bazaar is a wonderful afternoon jam packed with festive fun, and a great opportunity to pick up a Christmas gift or two, win some goodies on the tombolas and treat yourself to yummy cakes and mince pies!

This year we will have many family favourites, such as the Children's Raffle, Gifts and Crafts stall, Bottle Tombola, Lucky Jar Tombola and Children's Books, Puzzles and Games.

There will be lots of entertaining games such as Lucky Dip, Treasure Hunt, Pin the Nose on Rudolph, Guess the Weight of the Cake, the Champagne Game and Festive Hook a Candy Cane.

And some really fantastic activities including crafts

tables where you can make a Christmas Eve Hot Chocolate Cone or a Magical Reindeer Food Bag. Plus, there will be Festive Face Painting and Santa's Grotto!

### How to help...

If you, a grandparent or older sibling, can spare time to help on the day, or with set up or tidy up, please let us know by emailing [friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com).

Also, after half term, we will start collecting different items each week for our stalls and tombolas; a great chance to have a pre-Christmas sort out and donate bottles, unwanted gifts or toiletries, children's books, puzzles or games, and new toys. If you enjoy crafting, we would also love donations of hand made items for our Gift and Craft stall. Look out for the ParentMails reminding you what we will be collecting each week – and remember the class who collects the most will win a prize!

### Big Christmas Raffle

Tickets are now available for the Big Christmas Raffle and will be sent out in book bags today for you to sell to family and friends. Please return completed ticket stubs to the school office with payment, and please also return any unsold books. We always have a super haul of prizes, including our 1st Prize Hamper and vouchers for family days out

and experiences. If you are able to kindly donate a raffle prize, please speak to Mrs Lawton or Mrs Packman, and if you would like to sell raffle tickets at your workplace, please collect extra books from the school office.

### Santa's Grotto

To help reduce big queues at the Grotto, we will operate a booking system – closer to the Bazaar we will pop up a timetable at school so you can book your time slot to visit Santa. The Grotto will be £1.50 per child, which includes a lovely gift from Santa.

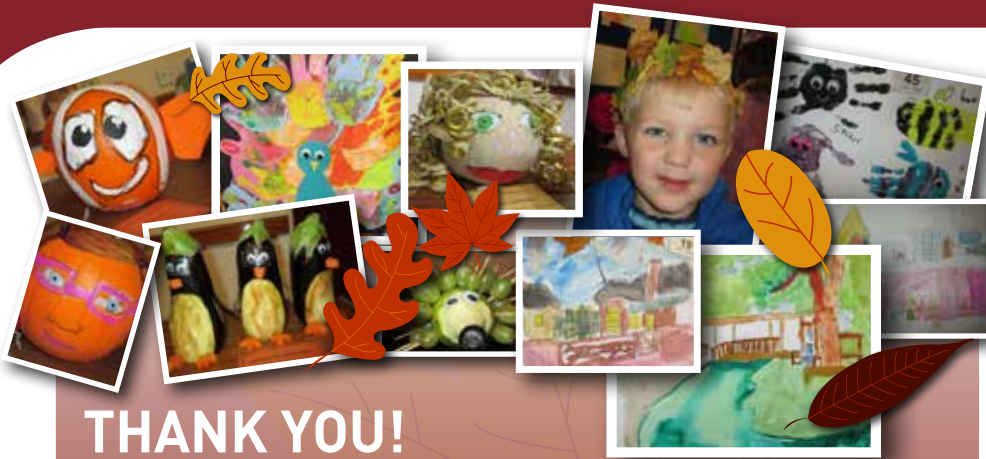
We look forward to seeing you at the Bazaar on Saturday 24 – please do feel free to bring along friends and family and spread the word about our fantastically festive afternoon!

### Children in Need Friday 16 November

Thank you so much for supporting Fruity Fridays this term! Next term, Fruity Fridays will return and there will be a very special spotty Fruity Friday on 16th November to support Children in Need.



**THANK YOU! THIS TERM YOU HAVE RAISED • PRE-LOVED UNIFORM £25.50 • HARVEST SHOW £140.00 • FRUITY FRIDAYS OVER £100.00 • LUCKY LOTTO £55.00 • STAMPTASTIC £22.50**



## THANK YOU!

Thank you for joining us for our Harvest Celebrations last Sunday! Although the weather was wet, we were blessed with great company and it was lovely to spend time together. Sadly, the rain prevented the Sponsored Walk going ahead, but if you would like to complete your chosen route once the weather improves, and still hand in your sponsorship, that would be much appreciated.

There were many wonderful entries for our Harvest Show and lots of certificates were awarded by our three judges, Mrs King, Mrs Chapman and Mrs Phipps, who were all very impressed with the artistic talent at St Peter's. Thank you so much to our judges as well as all the fantastic volunteers who baked, served, set up and packed away; we couldn't do it without you!

Over £140 was raised on the day, which is fantastic, and will contribute towards school resources, such as ActiveLearn and ParentMail.

### 50/50 LUCKY LOTTO

By the time you read this, our first Lucky Lotto Draw will have taken place and the winner contacted! Congratulations to the lucky recipient!

We currently have 22 numbers in the Draw, which means a monthly prize pot of £55 with another £55 donated to school. You can still join the Lotto and take part in the remaining nine Draws - for more information, please email [friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com) or pick up a Lotto form from the school office.

## EASYFUNDRAISE WITH ST PETER'S

**THANK YOU** to everyone for continuing to shop with Easyfundraising to raise donations for our school. If you haven't signed up yet, please do think about doing so as St Peter's can benefit from your online orders at no extra cost to yourself.

It's really easy to register, and you can download an easy to use app to your phone or tablet.

There are no catches or hidden charges, simply:

1. Head to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpetersceschoolalvescot/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpetersceschoolalvescot/) and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to St Peter's for no extra cost!

## KIT SPONSORS

Calling potential sponsors! Do you have your own business or do you have an employer who would like to support our school? St Peter's would love to find a sponsor to help fund a sports kit for sporting and Burford Partnership events - in exchange your logo will be proudly displayed! If this is something that may interest you, please have a chat with Mrs Tagliati in the school office.

## STAMPTASTIC

If you're planning on labelling new uniform over the summer, please have a look at [www.stamptastic.co.uk](http://www.stamptastic.co.uk) if you quote our school code **OX182PU** on any orders we can also claim rewards on your order.

## NEW BOOKS ADDED! NEW BOOKS ADDED! NEW BOOKS ADDED!

### KEY STAGE 2 AMAZON WISHLIST

**NEW BOOKS ADDED!** Each class will start a new topic next term and to support pupils' learning we have added fantastic new topic books to the Amazon Wishlist. You can also find new Little Gem reading books especially designed with spaced text and an innovative, easy-to-read font with appealing stories about animals, friendship and adventures. Pre-loved copies of these books are also available and would be equally valued as gifts to the school.

[www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=A3QUW8EGJCXUD1](http://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=A3QUW8EGJCXUD1) -OR- search for the Wishlist using **StPetersSchoolAlvescot**.

Once you've decided which book you'd like to donate, please check the book out and add a note to 'gift options' with your details (for example 'kindly donated by the Brown Family') so that we can add a bookplate inscription. Your chosen book will be a wonderful lasting gift to the school while also promoting a lifelong love of reading.

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