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| June 2016 Newsletter |
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Mearns Primary PTA



# Upcoming Events

**September 5th**

7pm AGM & Meeting

## September 9

6.30 P1 Party with Kidneticks

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| **£11,181 Raised this year****Please support our events help us reach our annual target of £10,000** |

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| Dear Parent/CarerWe must start by saying a huge thank you to Roz Rae, PTA Secretary, whose daughter is moving onto High School this year. For many years Roz has been a hardworking, loyal member of the PTA and we wish her all the best. Another huge thank you to Janet Olverman who is standing down as Chair this year. She has worked tirelessly for 10 years helping to raise over £90,000 for the school. She will be sadly missed. We wish her all the best.Lis Jones is also standing down as Treasurer and we would also like to say a huge thank you for all her hard work and effort. We Need your Support – New Office Bearers urgently requiredWith the departure of Janet, Roz and Lis, the PTA is now in an unfortunate position where we have no office bearers for next year and in order to continue we urgently need volunteers to step into these roles for the new school year. The PTA is a registered Charity and requires at least three parents to become Trustees of the charity. These are normally the Office Bearers but can be other members of the PTA.We are holding an EGM on Wednesday 22nd June at 8pm in the Osprey. If anyone feels able to take on one of the following roles, please contact janet.olverman@ntlworld.com asap. **Chair****Vice Chair****Treasurer****Secretary**If nobody steps forward at our meeting we will have no option but to wind up the Charity and the PTA will cease to be. On a brighter note we are delighted to announce that this year to date we have raised an incredible **£11,181** which has smashed our target of £10,000. Our recent Uniform sales events have raised another **£500+** which still has to be added to the total. Thank you to all who support the PTA, without your help we wouldn’t have been able to donate the following:https://fbcdn-sphotos-b-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-xfa1/t31.0-8/c0.95.851.315/p851x315/466830_374724219225081_2102479041_o.jpg

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| **Our Fundraising Activities This year****We have worked really hard to organise:*** **P1 Party Night**
* **Halloween Disco**
* **Ladies Night**
* **Christmas Cards**
* **Christmas Fayre**
* **March Disco**
* **Summer Fayre**
* **P1 induction**
* **Uniform sales**
* **Uniform evening**
* **End of term disco**
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**Sensory Spelling Boxes for each class****Maths Kits****Kindle Covers****Vikingar trip subsidy****Playground kits****Christmas Parties****Sports Day medals and stickers****Easter Egg Hunt prizes****Theatre workshop****P5 Burns Night Ceilidh band and tablet****Homework diaries****P7 Leavers Band****Replacement of 6 large pencils in playground.**The PTA has also been asked to support the installation of a new sound system in the sports hall, a SpyQuest subscription, New storage boxes for playground equipment and we are also planning to pay for rubberized safety matting for the adventure play area.**WITHOUT THE PTA NONE OF THE ABOVE ITEMS WOULD HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR YOUR CHILDREN.**  |
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## We need your support

A bit more about the PTA:



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| **Suggested Fundraising activities next year:****Movie Night with candyfloss & popcorn****Curry Night****A Ladies Curry Night** |

As a parent everyone is very welcome to attend our monthly meetings where we discuss fundraising ideas and organise events.

Meetings are usually held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7pm in the school conference room. We are a friendly informal group of Mums (and sometimes Dads) who like to try and make a positive difference to our children’s education. Without our fundraising efforts the items listed would not have been provided for your children.

If you are interested in attending the meetings please come along to our next one on Monday 5th September – give it a go and make a real difference to your child’s time at Mearns Primary.

Some of the tasks you can help with are:



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| Meeting Dates 2016/2017All meetings Monday evenings 7pm-8.30pm in the school conference room. Sept 5th AGM & Meeting**October 3rd** **November 14th** **November 21st** (extra pre fayre meeting)**January 9th** **February 6th** **March 13th** **April 24th****May 8th****June 5th**All welcomePlanned Events**September 9th** P1 Party evening with Kidneticks**October 28th** Halloween Disco**December 3rd** Christmas Fayre |

* Organising Raffles
* Disco’s – booking DJ, co-ordinating helpers
* Producing newsletters and letters to parents
* Publicity – Posting information on Facebook and creating posters/flyers for events
* Fayre organisation:
	+ Organising craft tables
	+ Producing Posters & signs
	+ Producing Fayre Programme
	+ Setting up Santa’s Grotto
	+ Tea Room organization and catering
	+ Craft Room organisation
	+ Organise children’s entertainment
* Organise P1 Event
* School Uniform – Liaising with Set School Wear & keeping track of our commission
* Cauliflour Cards – Liaising with school teachers and ensuring completed cards are sent off on time.