

Bowling Green PTA Update - Jan 22

Fundraising so far

Thank you to all the wonderful children and families that supported and contributed to the fundraising activities before Christmas. We hope the children enjoyed the events and activities.

Thanks to your support, we have raised a fantastic £1,567 since the beginning of the school year. Here's how you did it:

- Halloween disco - £399
- Christmas movie night - £367
- Smartie challenge - £567
- Christmas gift shop - £234

We now have a total balance of £2,131!

How the money will be spent

As you will be aware, the main aim of the PTA this year is to raise funds for new interactive whiteboards in each classroom. Interactive whiteboards will provide so many benefits to our children including enhanced lessons and interactive learning. They will make learning so much more enjoyable for our children.

With the money raised so far, we are delighted to have been able to purchase our first interactive whiteboard (photo to follow). This has now replaced the current whiteboard in Year 3, which was most in-need of replacing. With your continued help, we really hope to replace as many as possible this year so that each class can benefit from them.

Future fundraising and dates for your diary:

- **Friday 11th Feb - Valentines tuck shop** to be held after school in the playground.
- **Thursday 3rd March - World Book Day, Book Shop**. Children will be given the opportunity to donate their old books to the school which will then be made available for other children to purchase at a price of 50p - £2 per book.
- **Friday 27th March - Mother's Day Gift Shop**. Gifts will be available for children to purchase for mums, grandmas and those close to them. Gifts will be priced at £2 each.

A plea for help

The PTA is formed of a very small group of parents with the common goal of wanting to support the school and enhance the learning experience for our children.

We try and meet every six weeks at one of the local pubs for 1.5-2 hours to discuss and plan future ideas. We would love to see some new faces in the group as current membership has recently been reduced due to parents of older children leaving the school. Support may include manning stalls at events, shopping for supplies, creating posters and spreading the word about our events. You can help as little or as much as you want.

Dates of future meetings:

- Thursday 17th March - 6.30pm
- Thursday 19th May - 6.30pm

*Venue to be confirmed nearer the time.

If you feel you are able to commit just a little time to this very worthy cause, please do come along to the next meeting and I am determined that all our children will have a brilliant year and benefit from funds raised.

Yours thankfully,

Bowling Green Academy PTA