

PEAR TREE SCHOOL

NEWTLETTER



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Can you believe that we're half way through the year! We have so many things planned for the rest of the year including a 21st birthday celebration, lots of River Family events, a quiz night with the PTA, summer fair, and lots of hard work too!

School Opening Times

The school gates open at 8.40am and classroom doors are open from 8.45am. There are a number of families who are arriving later and later, please ensure that you arrive on time for an 8.50am start. Monday 26th February is an inset day so see you all on Tuesday 27th.

Uniform

A polite reminder about wearing the correct school uniform please. I am noticing trainers, different coloured hoodies and cardigans and T-shirts recently. We always have spare uniform we can pass on if anyone needs anything.

Earrings should be limited to small studs; earrings need to be removed for PE or tape needs to be put over the ear if recently pierced.

Please also remember that tramlines and 'cat scratches' in haircuts are not part of the school uniform policy.

Please keep Pear Tree smart by sticking to the school policy.

Table Tennis Champ!

Liam Stockton in Y6 was selected to play in the Cheshire Schools Table Tennis Tournament on 6th February 2024. Liam won all of his group games progressing through to the quarter finals. He then won his quarter final match against a player ranked no11 in the country at under 11 who he regularly trains with at Crewe Central TTC. Liam then faced a player ranked no23 in the country at under 12, who he also trains with each week at Crewe Central TTC. Unfortunately, he lost in a tough match but played extremely well and did not give up. One thing that stood out over all, was that he asked to stay (even though he was upset at losing and everyone else who lost had left) to watch his fellow Crewe Central teammate who he had just lost against in the semi-final match and support him in the final.

Liam is currently ranked 39th in the country at under 11.

Liam represented himself and Pear Tree Primary School impeccably and we are very proud of him \odot

Thank you to Liam's dad for the update

21st Birthday Celebrations

On Friday 15th March Pear Tree celebrates a big birthday. Please send your child in party wear. There will be games and a picnic lunch. We are hoping (weather dependent) to invite you onto the playground at 2pm for Proms on the Playground. Mr Greasby has reminded me that 12 months ago we had snow. However, I live in hope that it will be a warm spring day, the daffodils will be out and we can all sing in the sunshine.

The PTA has a competition to design a logo to be put on a keyring and a mug to commemorate the day and you will have received details of this already.

PTA News

Wonka Bars

The school hall was a buzz of excitement last Friday! Thank you very much to everyone who supported us by buying a Wonka bar, and congratulations to the lucky winners of the Golden Tickets! The goody bag included some sweet treats, a book voucher, an extra playtime for the whole class and an invite to a special afternoon tea.

Pre-Loved Uniform

Did you miss the pre-loved uniform sales at the book fairs? Don't worry, we will have another stall at Parents' Evening on Wednesday 28th February.

Can't wait that long? Email <u>PTA@peartreeprimary.co.uk</u> with what you are looking for and someone will be in touch.

If you have any uniform that your child has outgrown, please consider donating it to the PTA. Not only does it help raise vital funds for the school, but it also prevents lots of clothing from ending up in landfills. Any donations can be handed in to the school office.

Family Quiz Night!

Your child should have brought home a letter about our fantastic family quiz night on Friday 15^{th} March! Doors open at 6pm with the first round starting at 6:30pm. Entry is £2.50 per person with a maximum team size of eight, including children.

Send in your completed reply slips by Friday 8th March to guarantee your seats.

Raffle Prizes

Can you, or anyone you know, support us with raffle prizes for our family quiz night? Any donation big or small would be most gratefully received!

Rags2Riches

Planning a clothing sort out over the half term break?

We are collecting good quality clothing donations through Rags2Riches again on 27th March to raise funds for the school. Donations can be brought into school from 25th March. See attached flyer for more details.

Fundraising Update

Many thanks to everyone who has supported the PTA in one way or another since the start of the school year. We have raised some vital funds for supporting and enriching the children's time in and outside of school.

The chart below shows just how much we have raised so far (the green bar), and what the money has helped to fund (solid yellow stars). We still have some events and initiatives to raise money for, which are shown by the empty stars. Please help to support us however you can for the rest of the school year.



Diary Dates

Fri 16^{th} Feb – Break for half term. Return Tues 27^{th} Feb

Wed 28^{th} Feb – 3.30-7pm Parents' Evening in the hall

Thurs 29th Feb – 3.30-5pm Parents' Evening online

Fri Ist Mar – Green (Y3) swimming for 6 weeks (NOT 15th MARCH)

Tues 5th Mar – Yellow(Y2) class to Nantwich Museum

- Thurs 7th Mar World Book Day Charlie and the Chocolate Factory theme
- Fri 8th Mar 2.30pm Orange (Y1) to perform 'Barnaby Bear Goes Round the World' Parents welcome
- Thurs 14th Mar Indigo (Y5) class to perform Shakespeare at New Vic Theatre
- Fri 15th Mar Pear Tree School 21st Birthday Celebrations. More information will follow
- Wed 20th Mar 12.15pm Green (Y3) to perform at Congleton Town Hall. Parents welcome
- Fri 22nd Mar 9.15am Red class assembly. Parents welcome
- Tues 26th Mar 9.30am Blue (Y4) to perform brass concert. Parents welcome
- Thurs 28th Mar Break for Easter. Return Mon 15th Apr
- Mon 22nd-24th Apr Blue (Y4) class residential to Conway
- Fri 26th Apr Yellow class swimming for 4 weeks
- Mon 29th-30th Apr Yellow (Y2) class residential to Burwardsley
- Thurs 9th May Photographer in for class groups and leaver's
- Mon 13th May Year 6 Sats week
- Fri 24th May Break for half term, return Mon 3rd June
- Mon 3rd-5th June Violet (Y6) class residential to York
- Fri 7th June Orange class swimming for 4 weeks
- Thurs 13th & 14th June Violet class Bikeability
- Weds 3rd July Blue class Bikeability
- Fri 5th July Sports Day KSI am and KS2 pm
- Fri 19th July 9.15am Leavers assembly