



Mordiford
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PTFA NEWSLETTER

January 2016

Christmas Treats and Festive Fundraising

Christmas time really encapsulates all that is good about an active PTFA. Funds were raised and funds were spent to enhance our children's school experience at a particularly special time of the year. Through its festive activities, the PTFA also provided opportunities for parents to socialise and toast another successful year.

As ever, we owe thanks to a many people who helped to make Christmas at Mordiford so special.

Firstly, thanks to Year 5 parents **Mel, Lesley, Christina, Justine** and **Chris** for kicking off the festive calendar with a brilliant Christmas Quiz. With excellent food and challenging questions the team pulled off another hugely enjoyable quiz which raised **£273** for the PTFA. Any chance of a Spring Quiz?

Thanks to all those who organised refreshments after the school performances. Donations for tea & coffee raised an impressive **£135** over the five events. A special thank you to **Tom Betteridge** whose good friend Mr Kipling kindly donated the mince pies and contributed greatly to the profit.



Thanks to **Michelle Storrer** for arranging for Father Christmas and his reindeer to come to school and give out presents and to **Hannah Solly** for stepping in for the elf who was unable to make it. Thanks also to all the Year Group reps who helped Father Christmas with his shopping and wrapping. The children really loved meeting Father Christmas and stroking the reindeer. It was certainly one of the Christmas highlights for the children.

For many parents, one of the festive highlights was PTFA Christmas party. Thanks to **Hazel Watson** and **Kerry Rowlatt** for organising such an excellent do.

Thanks to the parents who decorated the church, helped the children make their Christingles and serve Christmas lunches. Although these weren't PTFA organised activities, it is important to acknowledge all those who give their time help School.

And finally, thanks to everyone who has organised and attended PTFA events so far this academic year as your efforts have meant that the PTFA were also able to help fund the Christmas trips and buy craft materials which also contributed to making Christmas at Mordiford magical.

Julie Homersley, PTFA Chair.



FRIDAY 29 JANUARY 2016

At Hampton Bishop Village Hall

Door Open: 5:30pm

Eyes Down: 6:00pm

(please note that this was incorrectly stated as 6.30 on some of the posters)

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
(Tea, coffee, soft drinks and cakes)

*Fun for all the family
Plenty of prizes to be won*



RAGS TO RICHES

Thanks to everyone who filled bags for the Rags to Riches collection in December. We raised **£191.48**

There will another collection in March so please keep bagging up your used but wearable clothes etc.

SPRING WORKING PARTY

The Spring Working party will take place at school on **Saturday 12th March** at **2pm**. Below is a list of some of the things we would like to achieve to spruce up the school and make it a more pleasant environment for the children. If anyone has particular skills to do any of these jobs and/or could donate materials then get in touch with Victoria Oaten (07986 203 623). If you would like to help out with particular tasks but can't make the date then let Victoria know as she can arrange other times to come into school. For those of us without particular skills just turn up with your enthusiasm.

- ◆ Dragons head in the garden has fallen down - new half round posts to be put in ground and attached on to dragon.
- ◆ Clear fallen apples in dragon garden and general tidy up.
- ◆ Reception play area - half round posts to make raised bed edging.
- ◆ Weed raised beds and pots in reception and year one play area.
- ◆ Cupboard under stairs - board out under stairs, tape joints and skim with plaster to allow use for storage and pass fire regulations.
- ◆ Outside sensor lights - an electrician to look at how we can fit outside lights for the path.
- ◆ Spiritual corner - decking.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

12th Feb - 10am - School Hall:

PTFA coffee morning following Family Worship.

29th Feb - 7.30pm - Bunch of Carrots: **PTFA Meeting**

24th March - 3pm - School Playground: **Easter Egg Hunt** (more details to follow)



Huge thanks to Esther Taylor, Alex Taylor and Laura Plant for their efforts in relaunching 50/50 Club.

50/50 CLUB MONTHLY DRAW

The club now has snazzy new logo and hopefully plenty of new members following the recent recruitment drive. Its only £12 a year to be part of the fun and a chance to win one of 36 prizes on offer during the year. If you don't have a form, contact Julie Homersley (07957 578 726) to sign up.

Nov winners: 1st Jacob Broadbridge £11.50, 2nd Marion Oakley £6.90, 3rd Ysabel Pearson £4.60

Dec winners: 1st Matthew Dyer £11.50, 2nd Julian Oakley £6.90, 3rd prize - Sheila Powell £4.60