

**Newsletter**

**15<sup>th</sup> September 2017**



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**Thank You** ★

You may now be aware that after many successful years, Carla Atkins has stepped down from her role as Chair of the PTA. On behalf of everyone, we would like to say a very big thank you to Carla for her time as chair. Carla has worked tirelessly in dedicating her time, putting love and passion of the role into raising funds for the school and ultimately all of the children at the Pochin School, once again, an enormous thank you Carla.

**PTA Meeting** ★

The PTA AGM took place on Monday, and after much discussion, a new committee were elected and voted in. We will post the committee on the PTA noticeboard and on the PTA page of the school website, please familiarise yourselves with the new committee members especially the parent liaison for your child's class as this person acts as a link between parents and the class teacher/pupils. If a parent has a question or wants to raise and issue with the PTA they can see the Parent Liaison for that class, and vice versa.

After the new committee were elected in, business resumed as normal, with planning for the Autumn Fair well under way! Thank you to all those who came along, it was great to see so many of you and of course some new faces showing their support and getting involved. Our next meeting is scheduled for **30<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 at pm.**

**Friday September 29<sup>th</sup> –  
Non-School Uniform Day**

On Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> September, children are welcome to come in non-school uniform in return for a donation for the Tombola Stall for this year's Autumn Fair. Items you may wish to donate could include tins, packets, jars (in date please!), toiletries etc.

Thank you for your generosity.



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***Please, Please, Please*** - Autumn Fair Donations Required ★ ★

The annual Pochin School Autumn Fair is an extremely popular event, and our biggest fundraiser of the year. To make this year a success we are seeking and needing donations please for the following stalls:

<i>Toys</i>	Clean and in working order
<i>Bric-a-Brac</i>	Any clean unwanted items you may have around the home
<i>Books/DVD's</i>	Adult, children, fiction, non-fiction or reference books, also DVD's/CD's and computer games, in working order
<i>Shoes/Handbags &amp; Jewellery</i>	Clean and with life left!
<i>Fancy Dress Costumes (&amp; Props)</i>	Clean and with lots of fun still to be had!
<i>Teddy Tombola</i>	Clean unwanted Teddy's!
<i>Raffle Prizes</i>	Chocolates, wine, spirits, and new unwanted gifts and anything else we can put into our 'Grand Raffle', e.g. Vouchers etc.

There are now plastic boxes by the school exit door for your contributions. Also you can leave any donations (in a bag please) at Breakfast or After School Club as we appreciate you may not always get to the playground.

Please see what you can do; ultimately the more we can achieve the more it will benefit our children. Thank you in advance for your support!

***Raffle Tickets*** ★

You will soon receive your packet containing a promotional poster for the Autumn Fair, a list of just some of the great raffle prizes, and your allocation of raffle tickets. Please try and sell as many as you can to family and friends; remember, whatever you are able to sell will give us a **tremendous start** with the fundraising!



If you sell your allocation, and would like more tickets, please see one of the committee. Alternatively, if you don't feel you will be able to sell any tickets, please bring them back into school so that we can distribute them to others. Please can all monies, stubs and unsold tickets be returned by **Wednesday 4th October** to the school office for the attention of **Julie Barker**. As always thank you for your continued support.

### *Calling all Cake Bakers* ★

We are looking for donations of cakes, scones, breads, cupcakes, biscuits, jams, chutneys etc. for the Autumn Fair. These items can either be sold on the cake stall or for refreshments in the village hall.

Please let us know if you are able to donate any of these items, alternatively there is a list on the glass exit door where you can pledge your donation. Items can then be brought in on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October either before or after school, and left in the pupil's kitchen.

Thank you in advance for your support.

### *Autumn Fair Competitions* ★

This year the PTA are again planning two competitions for the children. There will be a colouring competition and a making/craft competition, and again there will be prizes awarded for the most creative entries. Detailed information and entry requirements will be sent out with next weeks' newsletter.

### *Stay Informed* ★

Please continue to check the PTA page link on the school website <http://www.pochin.leics.sch.uk/pta.htm>, and 'like' our face book page 'Pochin School PTA' for updates. You can also email us at [pochinschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:pochinschoolpta@gmail.com) if you have any queries, questions or ideas.

#### *PTA Funding*

To give you an idea of what funds raised by the PTA go towards: Year 3 pupils have recently been presented with their own Hymn Book in a special assembly. This book is now theirs to keep and take care of throughout their time at the Pochin School.

We will continue to keep you informed with what the PTA fund to enrich our children's lives at school. Again, an enormous thank you for your continued support!



*Dates for your diary 2017:*



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| <b>Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2017</b>          | Grand Autumn Fair |
| <b>16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2017</b> | Half-Term Break   |
| <b>Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 7pm</b>     | PTA Meeting       |

