

# GREEN RIDGE PTA

Autumn Term 2021

Edition 5

Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December

## A note from the Chair

Here we are at Christmas again and once again what a different year it has been.

We, as the PTA, have had a very mixed year, from not being able to have any of our bigger events last academic year to holding our Fireworks Night and being able to invite the Berryfields community to join us - more about that later!

This term we have been able to have a Cinema Club, non-uniform days, and once again sell our very popular Christmas cards designed by the children. Just this term we have been able to raise over £6,000, which I hope you'll agree is a fantastic amount.

As the term comes to an end, this week we are holding our Festive Fun event. We will be holding it outdoors for the first time. Also this week, following the success of the panto performed to the school's youngest children at the start of the month, Key stage 2 gets to enjoy their Christmas panto, funded by your generous support.

Have a fun and relaxing Christmas and we look forward to seeing you at all our planned events in 2022.

Laurilee Green  
Chair of the PTA

## Christmas Shopping

When shopping online please don't forget to shop through [easyfundraising.co.uk](http://easyfundraising.co.uk). It costs you nothing but we get a little bit every time you do!

You can either shop through the website (which redirects you to the website of the online retailer) or through the app. By using the app, you can also raise

## Secretary

We are looking for a new secretary (or joint secretaries to share the role) to become part of the PTA committee.

You would need to attend most meetings and help with the administration of the PTA and would work closely with the Chair and Treasurer.

Please contact the PTA if you would like to take on the role or to find out more.

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## The Current Committee...

Chair: Laurilee Green  
Co -Secretaries: TBC  
Treasurer: Emily Routledge

# News Items

## Cinema Club – 15th October

Just before half term we had our first Cinema Club of this academic year. Years 1 - 6 each watched a film and enjoyed a drink, a bag of popcorn and a sweet snack.

It was a great success with over 250 pupils attending and raised over £1,100.

Thank you to all our volunteers who helped run the event on the day as we could not hold these events without you.

And thank you to our volunteers for helping to make a lot of popcorn and snack bags before the event!

The next Cinema Club will be in March.

## Fireworks Night

On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November we held our second Fireworks Night and once again it was a great success.

We raised an amazing amount of money - over £4,200.00!

We are already excited about next year's display!

Pictured: our lucky raffle winners who got to start the display!



## Christmas Cards

Thank you for all your orders this year, we raised a fantastic £660.00

## Christmas Panto

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Key Stage 1 and Reception enjoyed a performance of Little Red Riding Hood. This Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December Key Stage 2 will get to enjoy their panto.

These have been made possible as a result of your continued and generous support of the PTA.

## Second-Hand Uniform

Thank you to everyone who has donated uniform to the PTA. So far this term, uniform sales have raised over £180.00.

Our current stock of second-hand uniform can be found on [PTA-Events.co.uk/greenridgepta](http://PTA-Events.co.uk/greenridgepta) to purchase and is updated all the time as items are donated to us.

Please do still keep donating uniform as we will continue to sell it online all year.

Contact the PTA to arrange collection of any donations ([pta@greenridgeacademy.co.uk](mailto:pta@greenridgeacademy.co.uk)).



## Festive Fun

This Thursday we are looking forward to seeing you all at our Festive Fun event. This year it is being held outside to keep it as safe as possible for all attending.

If you are unable to attend but still wish to purchase your child's Christmas craft, then please contact us to arrange payment and collection.

## Can you lend a hand?

As a parent or teacher you are a member of the PTA and your involvement is crucial. From volunteering at events, attending PTA meetings, or sharing a bit of your time and many talents, we rely on your support!

We always need volunteers to run our events, in fact they wouldn't run without your help!

We are currently looking for PTA Class Reps so each class is represented and as a point of contact for parents in each class.

Please see the list below for the PTA Class reps. If your class needs a rep (TBC) please do volunteer!

Little Berries TBC  
Little Acorns TBC  
Willow (YR) Emily Routledge  
Birch (YR) Rachel Walcott & Arun Sekhar  
Elm (Y1) Katie Lickfold  
Beech (Y1) Hannah Marion & TBC  
Oak (Y2) Laurilee Green & TBC  
Plane (Y2) Sadie Mooney & Georgina Blackwell  
Cedar (Y3) Michelle Killeen & TBC  
Alder (Y3), Emma Robinson & Jayne Bendell  
Ash (Y4) Amanda Cottle & TBC  
Rowan (Y4) Bina Varsani & Katie Kann  
Maple (Y5) Kim Tremain  
Hawthorn (Y6) Amy Wolley & Sarah Smith

We are also always on the lookout for any skills or talents you would be willing to help the PTA with. Do get in contact if you can help!



Marketing  
IT  
Photography  
Woman or Man with a van  
Handyman or woman  
Entertainer  
Printing  
Designer

Do you have something we can use at an event?  
BBQ  
Gazebo  
Tables  
Freezer  
  
It all helps!

## What are we spending the funds on?

As well as paying for experiences such as the Christmas Panto, new library books and offsetting some of the costs for 11B411, this year the PTA are helping the school to invest in some ways to provide much needed shade for the playground and school field.

Last month we have purchased, for the school, several gazebos, for both the summer and to use at the PTA events like the Festive Fun this week.

We are also going to have some permanent shade sails put up in the playground once we have decided the best place for these!

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