



PTFA NEWS

Supporting our School for Success

WANTED:

Just before Christmas, the PTFA hold a Christmas Hamper raffle at school. We package up donations to make these really lovely hampers.

- Keep your eyes posted for a letter with book bags, but we will be grateful for donations of mince pies, biscuits, jams, tea, chocs or any other lovely things

Next Meeting Date:

- Fri 18th November at 2pm

Everyone welcome - tea and coffee supplied! Little ones always welcome.

Thank You to:

Theresa Houseman & husband for the super fund-raising thermometer now in the School Entrance. We shall be decorating with our targets very soon.

Ann Cassidy who was instrumental in organising the Year 6 Leavers Book and T-Shirts. These were a fantastic success which Year 6's will treasure for years to come.

A Record Breaking Year!

A huge warm welcome to our new Reception children & their families this year and to everyone in the Bowhill community. We really hope everyone is settling into the Autumn term.

The past academic year was a record breaker as far as PTFA fundraising was concerned.

The efforts of everyone who supports the Summer Fete, Christmas Hamper Raffle, School Disco, Easter Raffle plus other events, have added to the PTFA funds to give a balance at the end of the year of nearly £7,000, all raised purely to support our children at Bowhill.

Where & how will this be spent?

During the Summer Term, donations were made to purchase a new PA/Audio system for the school hall which means that the children can really benefit when shows are performed.

New gardening equipment was purchased for the school to help keep the grounds maintained.

All pupils in Year 6 leaving Bowhill to go onto High School, were given a Leavers Year book. This contained photos and memories of all the Year 6's along with a t-shirt for signing friends names on. A lovely memory of their time at Bowhill and the PTFA were proud to subsidise this initiative.

Currently we are donating funds for new black-out blinds for the school hall and liaising with the school and children for ideas on other projects we can fund.

Thank You to:

Kate Brazendale-Sweet for the years of minute taking for the PTFA meetings. We will miss you and Orla! Kate will still be on the PTFA committee and will be helping out at events, especially the Christmas card initiative.

Marie Morgan for championing the PTFA over the last 2 years and for the hard work and dedication to make our events such a success. Marie will still be part of the PTFA committee we are pleased to note!

School Disco

Our disco held in May raised a whopping **£603** which is over £100 more than last year. We hope everyone had fun and thank everyone involved in making it happen.

Follow our Blog

We love to share all that we achieve for the school so check out our blog on the school website

www.bowhill.devon.sch.uk

Contacts

If you would like to become involved in any capacity, whether it's just attending meetings or would like to help at events, please contact us on Facebook or email ptfa@bowhill.devon.sch.uk

Vacancy for PTFA Chairperson

As announced last term, Marie Morgan has stepped down as Chairperson of the PTFA. Kate Brazendale-Sweet, who has been Secretary for many years has also given notice.

Therefore vacancy now exist for both roles. Please contact us on Facebook or email ptfa@bowhill.devon.sch.uk for more information if you are interesting in becoming active in the PTFA.

Year 6 Leavers Book

To follow in the footsteps of the 2015/6 Year Book, the PTFA are very happy to support 16/17 Leavers Year. However this can only be possible if volunteers from the Year group are able to manage the project. Templates from last year exist and we will happily put you in contact with the previous organiser. Contact us on Facebook or email (see below) for a chat if you are interested!

Christmas Card Update

Back again for another rip roaring success, Christmas Cards featuring our children's designs will be available to purchase in around November time. Designs are already underway in Classes.



Find us on Facebook

Keep in touch more regularly via our brand new Facebook page where we post all kinds of PTFA news and events. Just search 'Friends of Bowhill' and request to become a member. We'll get back to you asap. Please note this page is for parents and carers for children at Bowhill only.