

# **East Sheen Primary**

Upper Richmond Rd West, London, SW14 8ED

#### News Letter, February 2020

#### UIZ NIGHT 2019,



We hope that we can all agree that we had a lot of fun at the Quiz night!

We would like to thank all those that came along and made the night a great success.

We raised £2600 which is fantastic but most of all we were glad to have hosted an event that brought parents and teachers together and enabled people to get to know each other better and learn some new interesting facts through the quiz!

Unsurprisingly the teacher's table won the Quiz which might actually be a relief to some to know out children are in good hands! :)

Please do come along to our next social event, it is an opportunity to not only raise money but build on our ESPS community.

#### DATES FOR DIARY

FRIDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 3PM SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE MONDAY 2ND MARCH 9:30AM: RICK STEIN COFFEE MORNING FRIDAY 27TH MARCH: PTA RACEHORSE NIGHT SATURDAY 20TH JUNE SUMMER FAIR

#### CHRISTMAS FAIR 2019

Inside the main hall was beautifully decorated by the children's handmade hoops and in the nearby classrooms all the usual stalls could be found to keep both adults and kids busy.

Games, tombola, face-painting, toys, books, and new presents to be bought to name but a few.

The year 2 team provided a fantastic lunch menu, the pulled pork bap was a particular hit.

Outside there was a new marquee to house the bar and fairground rides to entertain the kids.

This year we transformed a visit to Santa into the Santaland Experience. The children had the chance to write a letter to Santa, have an Elfie Selfie, decorate gingerbread, dance in the Christmas Disco and, of course, visit the big man himself to collect a gift. We were really impressed with the magnificent job the reception team did of creating a truly magical grotto. The PTA committee also have to admit that we had a great deal of fun making the gingerbread house too. We have had some lovely feedback about Santaland and hope we can make it even bigger and better next year!

The silent auction as ever did not disappoint. We are so grateful to our year 3 team who worked tirelessly to source all the auction lots, some of which money simply could not buy!

The silent auction raised a staggering £6300, so a big thank you to all parents, staff, family, friends and local businesses who donated we really could not do it without you! The grand



total raised for the Christmas fair was £16,900, which is an unbelievable result. We hope you will agree it was very much worth all the effort. We really must thank the very hardworking

class reps for coordinating the individual stalls, the teachers who ran the bar, governors on the gate and the staff who worked behind the scenes. Particular thanks to Marie Hambridge and her team who helped coordinate the constant arrival of donations and deliveries. Lastly of course we must thank everyone who came to enjoy the fun of the fair!







A big thank you to all those that support the PTA, from Coffee Per Week campaign to running stalls at the fair, every thing we do is a combined effort. If you are new to the school or would like to get more involved drop us an email and we would love to hear from you!



Co-Chairs (Left to Right, Top to Bottom)

Vic Kirkman, Gemma Hill, Alexandra Hobbs, Nikki Dawson, Jess Oliver

## PTA AGM 2020: SUMMARY

Thank you to those that attended the AGM last month. It was encouraging to see you there and it made it possible for the PTA to approve the funding requests from the school.



The new Co-Chairs were officially opted in too and a huge thank you goes out to last years Chairs, Louisa and Margi!

#### **Funding Requests:**

- 1. ipads for each class teacher (21): £7,350
- 2. ipads for a class set (1): £7,230
- 3. ipads for SEN students (5): £1,750
- 4. AppleTv boxes for ipad viewing (13): £1,940
- 5. keyboards for ipads (120): £3,600
- 6. A shed for Year 1 resources: £300
- 7. Interactive whiteboard for RE/ New Classroom: £5,500
- 8. Top up of class stationary/resources: £3,500
- 9. Rug for a Year 1: £250

#### Funding Requests TOTAL: £31,420

PTA will be able to spend current and future fundraising

money on the above items as voted by the AGM attendees.

So Far we have held two main events, the Quiz night and the Christmas fair. We are extremely grateful too, for those

partaking in the coffee per week campaign, Please do sign

up if you are able, information about how to join is on the newsletter.

#### **Fundraising to date:**

1. Quiz night:£2,600

2. Christmas Fair: £16, 900

3. Coffee per Week Campaign: £2,700

Fundraising Sept 2019 - 2020 TOTAL: £22,200

#### **PTA Outgoings to date:**

1. Whiteboards £11,400

2. Playground Improvement £4,165

- 3. Gardening £3,030
- 4. First Aid Course Training £1,453

Current PTA balance: £31,969

### SCHOOL RESULTS

We would like to thank the school for organising the KS2 results talk held on January the 14th. It gave us the opportunity to understand, further, how statistics reflects a schools performance.

The PTA would also like to congratulate the entire team at the school for all their input that has contributed to ESPS being amongst the top 3 per cent of primary schools in the country!

This month the school were delighted to receive letters from both the House of Commons and the Department for Education congratulating the school on its results.

Incredible! Congratulations!

## **GIFT AID**

The PTA would like to kindly ask all those partaking in the coffee per week campaign to please return to us a gift aid form if you have signed up.

This enables us to claim a whopping 25% of the total amount we raise.

so far that would mean a claim of £520!

That would cover items 6 and 9 of the funding requests!

Thank you, forms are available from reception

Kind regards, Co-Chairs

RACCE CYTH 2020 In the school hall

Thank you to any of the reported 152 supporters of easyfundraising.org.uk

The total raised so <u>far is £3948.05p!!!!</u> Brilliant result!

Please remember to do so as we collect free money!

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## **ESPS PLAYGROUND PLANTING PROJECT**

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We have now planted the road side beds in the Putney and Sheen playground, the bed outside the school office and refreshed some of the existing planted beds by the car park. In spring they will come into their own and start looking lovely as their root system will have developed over winter. We have planted three new silver birches in the Putney road side bed. Silver Birches have small hairy leaves and have been shown to be the best tree for catching small polluting particulates from road traffic. Together with the existing ivy our green wall will go from strength to strength. The last readings showed that the current green wall has resulted in the air quality in the playground being 50% under what is considered to be a safe limit so hopefully these silver birches will push the readings down further. Under the silver birches we have planted 5 different types of mint, oregano, sage and marjoram which can be used for the children's cookery lessons. Feel free, if they are looking overgrown at any point, to pick some to use in your own cooking.

We have also planted a chocolate vine by the



## THANK YOU

A big thank you to Mr and Mrs Hambridge who always support the events we do.

They also always help put the school back to its original state after PTA events often on their own time.

Thank you also:

To all the class reps that circulate all of our PTA information and our Rep-Coordinators who keep the ship sailing:

**Ruth Roberts** 

**Cat Ivison** 

Rachel Lampkowski

Also to Everyone who as contributed in any way too.

Putney road side front gate that will look lovely for about a month as well as smell very strongly of chocolate. In the spring we will plant a few more trees outside the reception areas and see how they go as there is no sun to speak of there and also plant some annuals that will look pretty through the early summer and autumn.



Are you able to help and join in our fundraising campaign to buy ipads for the school?

Please click the link below to join in with the other parents using our £10 a month direct debit scheme. All of your donations go to supporting the school and a big thank you to those who are currently donating!!!

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