

## Hardwick & Cambourne Community Primary School PTA

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### PTA News – June 2019

This last term we have been busy getting ready for the upcoming Carnival. Our theme this year is "**The Greatest Showman**". The Carnival will be at **Hardwick Campus** on **6**<sup>th</sup> **July 12-4pm**. We have many exciting stalls; including our very own pocket money stall which will have themed items for sale, as well as ever popular slime, inflatables and other toys, a circus themed photo booth will be available with keyrings to put the pocket sized photos in, hook a duck, coconut shy, balloon dart, bouncy castles, face paint/glitter tattoos, hot food, ice creams and licensed bar to name just a few! Krispy Kreme doughnuts will also be making a return.

This year's competition is to design circus bunting. Children have been offered a blank bunting flag in school if they wished to take part. All entries will be displayed around the bar and a winner selected from Reception, KS1 & KS2. Entries need to be in by **28**<sup>th</sup> **June** in order for us to put the bunting together. If you are able to cut the bunting out please do so - this would help us massively.

We will be sending home raffle books with the children next week for our very popular raffle. We have lots of wonderful prizes that have been donated and it was felt this would be a great way of reaching families who may not always be on the school run, so that no one misses out. Tickets are 50p each and the books are £2.50. These will need to be returned by **July 4**th with payment in order to be entered. Extra books will be available on the day and at both school offices. Please return any unwanted books to the school.

Donation Day will be **28**<sup>th</sup> **June** for both sites. Children will be able to come to school in non-school uniform in exchange for a carnival donation item. Letters will be sent out this week with further details.

**Cambourne** will be having the final bake sale of the year on **June 26**<sup>th</sup>. The choir will be singing at the event too. We will be asking year 5/6 to donate homemade or shop bought cakes/cookies to sell to continue to support the South Cambs Sports Partnership membership. These can be taken in on the morning of the sale to the school office. Thank you in advance for supporting this as it's great to listen to the choir and see what they have been getting up to as well.

Large screen Movie Night – We have had to postpone the evening movie night at Cambourne due to the requirement of full darkness to give the full cinematic experience. As the sun isn't due to set until 9.20pm this would have meant the film finishing at close to midnight. We have rescheduled the film to **September 7**<sup>th</sup>.







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It was felt this would be a great way to launch the new term and means we can start the film much earlier. We will still be showing Mary Poppins Returns and there will be hot food, licensed bar and popcorn/sweet cart. Tickets are available on the weblink/ url below:

## www.pta-events.co.uk/hardwickcambourne

For those that have purchased tickets and the new date is not convenient please email <a href="mailto:pta-chair@googlegroups.com">pta-chair@googlegroups.com</a> and a refund will be issued. Tickets that have been purchased will still be valid on the new date. Thank you for your understanding.

Adult tickets £9

Children under 14 £5

Under 3s are free

#### **PTA-EVENTS**

We will be putting all of our events onto the new electronic platform as they are released.

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This will enable families to pay online for most of our events. Tickets will be issued via email (where tickets are required) although you do not need to print these as we will ensure all children are given tickets in school. Registration just needs an email address. Payment can be via PayPal or Stripe. Both payment platforms take a small percentage which we do not receive but it does mean we receive the full amount of the event cost. Payment can still be made via the office but we hope this will make things easier for many who do not come to the school all of the time.

#### **Fundraising**

We have been busy coming up with new ways to support the school.

We have launched our **5p challenge** at both sites this term. The children can bring in 5p pieces and help fill up a 2litre bottle in their classrooms. Dig around under sofas and cushions and see how many you can find! This will be running until the bottles are filled. Children can bring in their 5p's at any time. Each class will be given £25 out of what is raised and they will be able to decide amongst the class what they would like to spend this on: a class party maybe or a new piece of classroom equipment! The remaining amount will be put towards improving ICT at School.





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## **Spending**

We have recently purchased Giant Playground games for both sites these include:

Chess/Draughts, Giant Jenga, Dominoes and Connect four in two different sizes one suitable for Reception/KS1 the other for KS2. These can be enjoyed for many years by all.

We have also purchased some water tables for KS1. The trees have been planted at Cambourne Campus and will provide some much needed shade in the future. Ice pops are freezing ready for all children after sports day.

We also welcomed the new reception children joining in September with book bags. These were given to parents at the intake evenings.

Year 6 will be leaving with a small gift from the PTA as our way of saying good bye and good luck with the next step of their education. We wish them all well at Secondary school.

Our new **School Lottery** launched in January. You can sign up at any time via <a href="https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk">www.yourschoollottery.co.uk</a> A winner is selected every week from within our community of supporters and there is an additional chance to win £25,000 in a national draw. Please spread the word to any friends or family members who might like to support our school, as well as having the chance to win our lottery. Tickets cost £1 with 40% coming back to the school.

**Easy Fundraising** is another commission based initiative that we are registered with. Please take a look at <a href="www.easyfundraising.org.uk">www.easyfundraising.org.uk</a> By clicking onto popular websites such as Amazon and John Lewis via their website when shopping online a percentage of your total spend is directly handed back to us without any additional cost to you.

The next meeting will be our AGM, the date and location information will be released as soon as possible. If you would like to contact the PTA please email <a href="mailto:ptachair@googlegroups.com">ptachair@googlegroups.com</a> where we will do our best to help.

Thank you again for all of your support throughout this year, we couldn't do what we do without you. We look forward to seeing you at our final fundraising event of the year at Hardwick Campus for the School Carnival.

Many thanks

Nicola, Charlotte, Emily and all on the PTA



