



South Stoke Primary School PA Newsletter

Welcome to the New South Stoke Primary School PA Newsletter!

Things have been a little different this year and as we can't see you all in person, this newsletter will keep you up to date with all our fundraising activities. This newsletter is not only a place to share PA activities, it is a space for you to share what you're up to, email me at alisonhannigan@btinternet.com

Sadly, we had to cancel our two main fundraising activities this year: Bonfire Night and Fireworks and the May Fayre. These two events combined usually raise over £10,000, so we have had to come up with some new socially-distanced activities to raise money.

Money raised by the school PA benefits EVERY child in the school and is spent on: Sports coaches, school trips (including theatre trips and PGL), workshops, forest school, plus additional equipment to help support the pupils.

Step out for South Stoke!

We are organising a sponsored walk for the children during December. Let's get outside, stay fit and raise some money for your school.

WHAT TO DO NOW: Start by emailing Ali (by 23rd November) at alisonhannigan@btinternet.com pledging how far you hope to walk during the month and you will receive a goody bag, containing: Santa hat, homemade cookies and a scavenger hunt to complete during your walks. Then ask all your family and friends to sponsor you! We will be setting up a funding page where people can donate. Why not post pictures of your walks on Seesaw and your distances on Street Tag?

How far can you walk? There will be prizes for the longest walk and best photo!

Bag2School

We are pleased to announce that South Stoke School has organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for South Stoke School

As well as raising vitally needed funds for South Stoke School it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill.

Bag2School will be collecting from South Stoke Recreation Ground on 7th December between 9am – 12pm. Please bring your bag (or bags!) by 9am and help us have a really good collection.

Contact Heidi at heidi.p.tunney@gmail.com for more information.

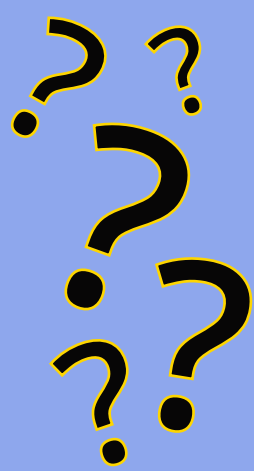


Kids Corner

Feeling creative? Who can design a new logo for the South Stoke School Parents Association? Remember, the PA includes parents and carers with children at the school. The work we do and the money we raise is for ALL the children at the school. There will be a prize for the child with the winning logo. Send designs to alisonhannigan@btinternet.com

Pub Quiz

Join us on Friday 27th November at 8pm for our family pub quiz via Zoom. EVERYONE is welcome and it's free to join. It's a great opportunity to meet new parents and catch up with everyone and have a bit of fun!



Bonfire Night goody bags

Every year the school PA organises the South Stoke Bonfire Night and Fireworks, which is a fantastic event attended by families from miles around. As this had to be cancelled this year, we created Bonfire Night goody bags to sell to parents and the local community. The bags contained: non-toxic chafing fuel gel, large bag of marshmallows, skewers, eco-friendly glowstick and sparklers.

We are very grateful to the pupils for decorating these bags so beautifully for us. We sold the bags for £10 and they proved to be so popular that we sold out and made a profit of over £330 for the school. Fingers crossed the South Stoke Bonfire Night and Fireworks will be back in 2021 on Friday 5th November.

GoFundMe

Since we were unable to run our large fundraising events this year, we set up a GoFundMe page to request donations.

We are extremely grateful for the incredibly generous donations so far, which have raised over £800 to date. Please keep sharing this page with your family and friends, so that we can continue to raise money for our fantastic school.

<https://uk.gofundme.com/f/south-stoke-primary-school-fundraiser>



Next meeting date

Our next PA meeting will be on Thursday 19th November at 8pm via Zoom. Please do join us at these meetings if you can, all families are welcome.

We are always looking for creative new fundraising ideas, or even if you are just curious about what we do, please join us.

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