

Newsletter N^o 7

Summer Term 2016



Churchill Special School Parent Teacher & Friends Association



On 3rd April we welcomed Bury St Edmunds & District Motorcycle Action Group, who generously gifted Easter eggs and a cash donation.

Don't forget – we can raise funds for free when you shop online: – just visit:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/ChurchillSpecialSchool

We have currently raised £331.99 but with more people signing up we could raise much, much more.

Welcome back to all of our families for the final part of this academic year. This is a busy and exciting term for all of the students, which will hopefully be boosted by some warm British summer-sunshine!

PTFA 100 Club

We have continued to draw the numbers at the end of each month for our school lottery. The pupils in school have helped with our draws and the winners for the Spring term were:

February: 1st prize: Marion Merch-Chammon – ball n^o 42
2nd prize: Matt Newman – ball n^o 49
3rd prize: Debbie Richardson – ball n^o 90

March: 1st prize: Tracey Hinshelwood – ball n^o 34
2nd prize: Jayson Lawrence – ball n^o 12
3rd prize: Suzanne Stevenson – ball n^o 59

April: 1st prize: Mandy Fear – ball n^o 39
2nd prize: Iain Pocock – ball n^o 9
3rd prize: Trudy-Louise Nobbs – ball n^o 67

May: 1st prize: Marion Merch-Chammon – ball n^o 42
2nd prize: Trevor Smith – ball n^o 63
3rd prize: Mrs Denny – ball n^o 33

1st prize: £12, 2nd prize: £6, and 3rd prize: £3.

The PTFA 100 Club is open to all families and relatives, friends, staff and governors of the school. It is not too late to join. Please email Camilla on the contact below if you would like further details.

Haverhill Summer Bash 2016

Every July Haverhill town council hosts a large summer fair offering local groups, schools and charities the opportunity to run a stall. This year the Summer Bash is being held on Sunday 17th July. We have booked a stall and we are going to run a chocolate tombola. On 24th June, we will be inviting the students to come in non-uniform. Instead of bringing £1 we will be asking that they come in with chocolate items/multipacks for our tombola.

If anybody is available on the day, (Sunday 17th July), all offers of help will be welcomed. You can contact either myself (email address below), or Mrs Ellis.

Parents' Afternoon Coffee Club Please note:
coffee club has changed from Tuesdays to **Wednesdays**

The PTFA holds an informal, social gathering for all Churchill School parents and carers at 2:30pm on the last **Wednesday** of each month. This is a relaxed opportunity to meet and chat together and refreshments are provided. Our next Afternoon Coffee Club will be on **Wednesday 29th June** at 2:30pm in Churchill School. **Everyone is welcome.** All those who regularly attend the coffee club would love to meet some new people, so do join us and come along.

The dates for the rest of the school year will be:
29/6/16 & 20/7/16

Our PTFA AGM

On Wednesday 15th June the PTFA held an AGM. Thank you to everybody who joined us. We reviewed the contribution of the PTFA over the past year. Camilla Collins was thanked for her work as Chair and Tracey Hinshelwood was thanked for her work as treasurer/secretary. Mrs Ellis and the staff were also thanked for their support. We are pleased to tell you that Camilla and Tracey were both re-elected for a further year-term. A huge 'thank you' goes to all of our families for your support over the past year.

Our new music trolley!!!

We are very excited to tell you that the PTFA has been able to purchase a new music trolley, (and a wide selection of musical instruments) for the school. This will be used to support the teaching of music in Key Stages 2 and 3, as well as for enrichment purposes for all students in Churchill School. We extend our thanks to Carol Thomas, (mum to Joseph in Class 5), for successfully submitting a grant application to Jessie's Fund for £1,400 and to Jacob Hall for his donation of £540 last term.



We hope that this is an investment that will benefit the students of Churchill School for many years to come.

Don't forget to send 50p into school if your child would like their summer term icecream treat.

We plan to have a family picnic day in the summer holiday, Thursday 18th August. More details will follow next month.

On Wednesday 20th July we will be having a family get-together in school with drinks and a buffet.
Everybody is welcome.

As parents and carers of pupils at Churchill School you are all automatically members of the PTFA. It is **your** PTFA and if you have any fundraising ideas or comments, you are welcome to contact Camilla (chairperson) – PTFA@churchillschool.co.uk

All monies raised by Churchill School PTFA are currently going towards the purchase and installation of a new outside classroom.