



# PISA News

November  
2023

your handy guide to Petersfield Infant School Association!

## The Christmas Fair

Planning is now well underway for this year's PISA Christmas Fair. The fair is on the afternoon of Friday 1st December and takes place from 4.30pm until 6.30pm, in the school. Entry will be via the side gate on St. Peter's Road.

As per the last few years, we will be operating as an essentially cashless fair, using tokens as the payment system for the majority of stalls. There will be a few private stall holders, who will be operating outside of the token system, these vendors will take cash or card payments instead.

The only other element of the fair that will be exempt from the token system will be the Christmas 2023 Raffle which, for legal and licensing reasons, we have to take cash payments for.

## Christmas Fair Stalls

PISA stalls planned for the fair (volunteers needed!):

- Token Sales
- The Wrapping Room
- Café and Festive Crafts
- Children's Tombola
- Adult Tombola
- Toys, Books & Games
- Lucky Dip
- Glitter Tattoos
- Christmas Buzz Wire
- Hook-A-Christmas-Duck
- Pick A Snowman's Nose
- Penguin Tumble/Disk Drop
- Guess How Much Reindeer Poo
- The North Pole Room
- Raffle Tickets



## WE NEED YOU! Micro-Volunteering

There can be no Christmas fair without our amazing team of volunteers and, once again, we really do need **YOUR** help to make our Christmas Fair a reality.

If you can 'micro-volunteer' to man a stall, for just 30 minutes, please reach out to your Co-Chair, Sara Davies, who is putting together a volunteers rota.

Your help and support is so appreciated; to paraphrase a popular supermarket slogan, **every little really does help!** Best of all, we know you'll have fun being a part of the PISA event team!



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# CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday 1st December 2023

at Petersfield Infant School, from 4.30pm

CASHLESS SYSTEM IN PLACE FOR ALL PISA STALLS - BUY YOUR TOKENS BEFOREHAND!



The Wrapping Room, PISA's Christmas Café, Festive Crafts, Glitter Tattoos, Lucky Dip, Adult & Children's Tombolas; Toys, Books & Games, Second-Hand School Uniform, Christmas Buzz Wire, Penguin Tumble **and** the North Pole!





## Christmas Fair Token Pre-Sales

To avoid a huge queue at the Fair itself, the PISA team will be selling tokens, in the School playground, every morning at Drop-Off, **beginning Monday 27th November.**

If you can, please do buy your tokens in advance!

## Raffle Tickets

Your child will be coming home this week with two books of raffle tickets for our Christmas 2023 Raffle.

We invite you to sell those raffle tickets to your friends, family, neighbours, work colleagues etc.

Tickets cost £1 each; please give the long section of the ticket to the person buying it, and keep hold of the ticket stub, with their details on it.

All ticket stubs, unsold tickets and cash must be returned to the School Office by Monday 4th December, when the raffle draw will take place.

## A Recipe for Success!

A huge thank you to everyone who 'faked it or baked it' for our Bonfire Bakes Cake Sale last Friday.

We received lots of lovely bakes and we had a fab turn-out, despite the awful weather!

Thank you to the School, and to Active8 for allowing us the last-minute use of the Hall, and to everyone who helped with the stall: Robynn, Gemma, Vikki, Lauren, Sara, Issy, Alexander, Edmund, Amelie and Ivy and, of course, Laura who organised the event.

We raised £183.35!

## Raffle Prizes

We have already had some amazing raffle prizes donated this year - keep your eyes peeled for the raffle flier which will detail the lot - but there's still time for you to contribute if you'd like to.

Please contact our Co-Vice Chair, Sarah Nutbrown, who is collating and organising the raffle, if you have a raffle prize you'd like to donate.



**Bonfire Bakes!**

## The Low-Down on: The Wrapping Room



### WHAT IS THE WRAPPING ROOM?

If you're new to us, or if you missed the October edition of the PISA News, you might be wondering what The Wrapping Room is.

To put it very simply, **it's your child's chance to do their Christmas shopping** - without you. The Wrapping Room gives them the opportunity to choose, from a selection of carefully curated gifts, a Christmas present for their grown-up, without that person having to be there - so: no surprise is ruined and you don't have to wrap your own Christmas present!

It's a lovely way to give your child a slice of independence; to let them take control over this element of their Christmas.

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

Below is a link, and a QR code, which will take you directly to a Google Forms document from which you can pre-book a slot for your child to visit The Wrapping Room at the Christmas Fair.

You can choose a preferred visiting time and book for your child to choose a **maximum of two** gifts. Gifts are £4 each, so £8 if you would like your child to choose two. Once you have submitted the form, you will be prompted to make a payment to PISA, preferably via BACS.

Before 1st December, your child will be sent home with a **booking slip**, which will confirm the time you have been allocated in The Wrapping Room (we will do our very best to accommodate your time preference). Your child will need to **bring that slip with them**, to The Wrapping Room, on the day of the Fair.

Whilst your child is in The Wrapping Room, we suggest that you stay in the adjacent Waiting Room or visit the nearby Christmas Café. Your child won't be too long and they'll come out with a present/s wrapped up (by our friendly team of Wrapping Room volunteers) and ready to explore the rest of the fair!

**DISCLAIMER:** If you book your child into the Wrapping Room, be prepared for a whole month of their being incredibly smug about having finished their Christmas shopping long before you have!



## To Book A Slot at The Wrapping Room

Scan the QR code or visit: <https://tinyurl.com/PISA-WR>

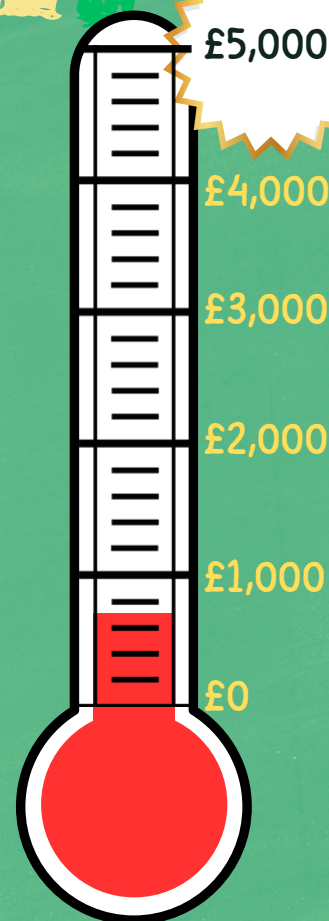


## Our Fundraising Goals

As the PTA organisation for the School, one of our key reasons for being is to fundraise: to raise money that enables the School to add to the experiences our children have, and benefit from, during their time at Petersfield Infant School.

This academic year, the School have asked us to fundraise for two main projects: firstly for the expansion of **the provision in Year 1 for outdoor learning**, and secondly for **the refurbishment of the School library**.

Following our Bonfire Bakes Cake Sale, and our Cauliflower Cards initiative, we have raised £706.10 so far this term!



## Getting Involved

If you're thinking about getting involved with PISA, then we'd love to hear from you! We are currently looking for volunteers for the following events:

**Forfeit Day Sorting**  
morning of Friday 24th November  
(4-5 volunteers needed)

**Christmas Lights Switch-On Cake Sale**  
evening of Friday 24th November  
(4-5 volunteers needed, please contact Ruth Scammell)

**Christmas Fair**  
afternoon of Friday 1st December  
(LOTS of volunteers needed in 30min slots, please contact Sara Davies!)

## Private Sellers

Do you have a business?  
Are you interested in having a stall at the Christmas Fair?

Private vendors stalls are only £15 each. If you'd like to find out more, please contact Issy Arnett or Sara Davies.

## Contact Us

You can email PISA at [contactpisa@yahoo.com](mailto:contactpisa@yahoo.com) or alternatively you can join and use the PISA WhatsApp group (QR code shown right.)

Your Co-Chairs, Issy and Sara are contactable on the following mobile numbers:

Issy - 07580792799 Sara - 07814231824

