

# PISA News

January 2024

your handy guide to Petersfield Infant School Association!



Welcome back! We hope you had a fantastic Christmas holiday and are now, just about (!) back into the swing of things. We thought we'd just give you a quick update on all things PISA; so that you have some idea of what to expect from us in the next few months!



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# Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

Monday 29th January PISA Meeting, 7.30pm at The Happy Hut.

Tuesday 20th, Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd February (930am-1130am) Mother's Day Crafting Sessions.

Volunteers needed: Tues/Wed/Thurs morning.

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day: Book Swap, 3.10pm on the Playground (the School Hall if wet weather).

Friday 22nd March

Easter Cake Sale, 3.10pm on the Playground (the School Hall if wet weather). Volunteers needed from 2.30pm.

Friday 3rd May

Bingo Night (Grown-Ups Only!). More details to come. Volunteers needed

£5,000 £4,000 £3,000 £2,000 £1,000 £0

Please note, if you are volunteering for an in-school event, it would be helpful for you to be DBS-checked; volunteers who are not DBS certified need to be accompanied at all times by someone who is. So, if you don't already have clearance (and for PISA this means a DBS check instigated by Petersfield Infant School), you can contact the school who will submit your request for certification to Disclosure and Barring Services.

### Adopt-a-PTA

Every 20 minutes, a PTA Chairperson says a rude word; sightings of zen chairpeople are becoming more and more rare: but did you know, that for as little as 30 minutes a month, you could save the sanity of a middle-aged Petersfield mum?

Just 30 minutes could help run a cake sale, 1 hour at a PTA meeting could see a whole year's worth of fundraising events planned and 2 hours could run a Mother's Day crafting session for between 60 and 90 children.

So this year, make a difference, make a mum happy, adopt our PTA and donate your time now.





### World Book Day Book Swap

Thursday 7th March is World Book Day and the school has some exciting plans in place to celebrate the day with the children.

PISA will be arranging a World Book Day Book Swap; so: on the morning of Thursday 7th March, your child is welcome to bring in a book that they would like to swap and, during the school day, and also after school, they'll have the chance to choose a 'new' book to take home!



# OSCAR

# PISA Party Kit

#### THERE AIN'T NO PARTY LIKE A PISA PARTY!

We believe that parties should be fun and colourful, without damaging our environment and so, we are very pleased to announce the creation of the PISA party kit, a reusable party kit, perfect for children's birthday parties, that is now available for hire.

For more details, please see the attached launch flyer!

#### Cake Tin Hostages

We are currently holding several cake tins hostage. If you kindly brought in cakes for a cake sale last term, please make sure you have collected your container!



#### Your Old Christmas Cards

Thank you to everyone who has already brought in their old Christmas cards; we've had hundreds come in, which is just fab; thank you!

We are still collecting (to make gift tags for next year's Wrapping Room at the Christmas Fair) and you can post any suitable cards into the PISA postbox, currently situated in the front reception area of the main School Office until the end of the month.



### Contact Us

We love hearing from you so if you'd to get in touch, whether that's to volunteer your time at an upcoming event, to enquire about our Treasury positions, or just because you've got a question, or want to say hi, you can contact us via email at:

#### 1894pisa@gmail.com

or through our Association WhatsApp group, which you'll find by scanning the QR code below:

## **SCAN ME**



Have a fantastic month, keep warm!

#### Treasurer & Vice Treasurer

#### **CAN YOU HELP?**

You may remember from our last newsletter that Gemma Booty and Gillian Young are now stepping down from their committee roles as Treasurer and Vice Treasurer respectively, and we are still looking for people to fill their positions. Could it be you?

The roles do not have to be filled in any particular format, we could have stand-alone positions or the roles could be shared two, or even three, ways.

Do you have a budding passion for maths? Are organised and au fait with managing finances? Perhaps you're an accountant or an investment analyst, perhaps you have successfully run your own business or managed a corporate account; it doesn't matter what background you come from you just need the basic skills to be able to manage the role.

Treasury position holders will need to be able to:

- Keep a record of all PISA finances, reconcile all income (event payments, donations etc.) and expenditure.
- Keep copies of all receipts
- Complete the Charity Commission annual return
- Be a signatory on the PISA bank account (2 people sign off on all payment)
- Prepare floats for events
- Take card payments

If you are interested in a either the Treasurer or Vice Treasurer role, please drop us an email at: 1894pisa@gmail.com



#### TO HIRE, OR FOR MORE DETAILS, EMAIL: 1894PISA@GMAIL.COM

As grown-ups with small people, we all go to - and organise - our fair share of children's birthday parties, and everyone knows that organising a birthday party for your small person can be about as stressful as it gets - and that's before you even mention the cost!

So, why not alleviate some of that stress and cost with the PISA Party Kit!

We believe parties should be fun and colourful without damaging our environment. By choosing to reduce waste and borrow a box of reusable tableware you are also supporting Petersfield Infant School Association.

#### WHAT'S THE DEAL?

The PISA Party Kit is pastel coloured and gender neutral; it contains:

30 plates, 30 bowls, 30 cups, 30 sets of cutlery (knives, forks, spoons), 1 sandwich tray with lid and four platters. Please note that the kit needs to be washed and dried before being returned.

We hope you will enjoy and support our Party Kit initiative!

A £5 (cash) deposit is payable on collection of the kit, this will not be returned if any of the kit is missing or returned broken or dirty.

