



# PTA NEWS

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EDITION

## Your St Johns Green School PTA Update

### What have we been up to?

We have been getting ahead with planning for the next few events we have coming up. We are very excited about the new event; Amigo's Magic, which is just a few weeks off now. We are told by Mr Magicness himself that a lucky person will be cut in half (and popped back together afterwards!). There will be refreshments available on the day and also a magic trick/joke stall if children have pocket money to part with. All children will receive a FREE gift at the show!

ROLL UP ROLL UP! We are getting prepared for this years PTA Summer Fair – you will be pleased to hear, we are sure, that Welly Wanging is BACK! Come and enjoy a (hopefully) sunny evening with us whilst raising money for our school community.

We have been very happily approving school trip funding requests, we hope the children have a great time. You can see what we have contributed towards on page 3.

We loved running the Discos again this year and were very pleased the weather was a little cooler than it was last year! Huge thanks to Tidimix for providing all the fun (and the snow machine-in-face for some grown ups!)

We once again experienced the delights of Mr Billings in his sequined waistcoat for Bingo night - a wonderful feast for the eyes! Some very special prizes were won; who doesn't need a steering wheel cover anyway?

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Amigos Magic Show**  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
3.45pm & 5.30pm  
Abbey Field

Tickets: Adults £8  
Children £6 (Family 2 + 2  
£25)  
Scan the QR code to  
book



**PTA Summer Fair**  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July  
5-7pm Abbey Field

FREE Entry + lots of  
food, games, Slime  
Station, prizes and of  
course, Bouncy Castles!

**Quiz Night**  
(Adults Only)  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 7pm

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# Where did the money come from?

Since September, we have raised well over £4,000.00 - below are just some of the events we ran.

Christmas Fair	£2583.87
Elfridges	£97.00
Colchester Brewery Open Day Raffle	£526.02
Class Fundraising (Christmas Cards etc)	£551.88
Bingo	£110.96
Discos	£524.06

## FAREWELL!

We said goodbye to Esra, and to Rachel, when Ollie went off to Year 7. To Neveen, who moved to Egypt - all had been instrumental in the PTA for years.

We also lost Jan Taylor who most will know from the office, she had been our Treasurer for years and is now enjoying her well deserved retirement! A very heartfelt thank you to them all for all they've done over the years.



PTA Summer Fair Planning Meeting  
The Odd One Out - 20/05/26

We need to say a huge THANK YOU to all of the volunteers, some PTA and some who just answer the call for help! You make these events possible and we just can't do it without you - so thank you.

We also need say a very BIG thank you to Tom and the team at Colchester Brewery, who very generously donated the profits from their Brewery Open Day Raffle to the PTA. This has been a wonderful boost to our income and we always look forward to our meetings at The Odd One Out too!

To the school staff who always support our efforts, to our school community who bought event tickets, raffle tickets, a burger, some Christmas Cards, or got some Christmas socks from Elfridges...



*Thank You*

## Fancy getting involved?

We are a small group of volunteers who come together to work on activities and events to enhance our children's time at school. Some of us are parents, some are Great Grandparents! Some of us work full time, some part time, some are stay at home parents. We are all different, with different skills. Our commitments and the time we can spare varies greatly with life's 'ups and downs'. So we are flexible, and appreciate every single minute people can give us.

If you would like to get involved, but aren't sure what we need, please do reach out. If you are new to the school and would like a way to meet new people, please drop us a message. We assure you the warmest welcome, and some of the best friendships have been formed via the PTA over the years - there's solidarity in muddling our way through parenting and caring for our small people - the good, the bad, the late, the forgotten lunchbox, the wrong PE day...we've ALL been there! Come and join us while we make it all a little bit more fun!

**We are currently looking for...**

**Summer Fair Volunteers - between 3pm - 8pm Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - can you spare an hour?**

**Raffle Prizes - Do you know any local businesses who would like to donate a prize?**



# Where does your money go?

Each year, the PTA is asked to contribute towards trips for the children. The school work very hard to ensure all children can enjoy the experiences trips offer, by keeping the costs down as much as possible.

## Just school trips?



We pay £3000 towards swimming lessons for Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6, to keep costs affordable for parents and enable children to gain essential life skills.



We asked Father Christmas to come in to see the children - the Easter Bunny popped by too!



We treated our new EYFS parents to a first day gift - we know walking away on the first day is hard (it does get easier!)



We fund the Year 6 Leavers BBQ, and we give all Year 6 leavers a year book, so they can remember their time at SJG. This is done with the kind help of Happy Days Photography.



We have donated £500 to the schools Community Fund - helping our families when they need it most.



On the last day of the school year - we buy an ice cream for every child!

Did you see our video? Click the link below to view it on Facebook



[Click Here](#)

## Year Group Trips & Experiences part funded by the PTA

EYFS enjoyed a visit from Ark Farm, where they met some very special pigs! Years 1 & 2 took a trip to Abberton, while Year 3 are due to attend an Industry Day at the Mercury Theatre, where they'll have the opportunity to hear from a range of creative professionals about their jobs and to be inspired to pursue a future in the creative industries. Year 4 will be off to Wivenhoe on the train and Year 5 went to St Osyth Priory back in March. Year 6 will be off on a very exciting trip to London in June - a fantastic day is planned; taking in the sights of our capital city!

**This year, over £5,000 has been committed to school trips!**

## YOUR VIEWS MATTER



We have created a survey to give you the chance to give us some feedback on our events and also to see how you might like to get involved.

Please scan the QR code here, or click the link below to complete the survey. If you prefer, or if you'd like to get in touch with us directly, please email [pta@stjohnsgreen.org.uk](mailto:pta@stjohnsgreen.org.uk).

[Google Forms PTA Survey Link](#)

We hope you enjoyed our update - we will see you soon!  
SJG PTA

