

SJP PTA NEWSLETTER



SEP 2023

Bag2School: Keep sorting your unwanted clothes/shoes for the next collection on **Fri 17 Nov**. You can leave bags in the ECO HUB Bag2School bins anytime!

Preloved Uniform: Leave in the PTA Dropbox (school foyer) or Preloved Uniform bin (Eco Hub). See SJP PTA (Facebook) Preloved Uniform post or email us for preloved uniform requests. Look out for pop-up sales!

ECO HUB: #KeepOnRecycling your clothes, stamps, and greeting cards (far right of school).

Easy Fundraising: Register on the app/website, select 'St James' Primary PTA – Cheltenham', shop online and raise money for the PTA at no cost to you. Download the Donation Reminder!

SJP PTA Selling Group: Join our friendly Facebook selling group. Convenient handovers at the gate and bargains to be had! Feel free to make the occasional cash donation from sales to the PTA Postbox.

Match fund/Benevity via your workplace!

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Welcome to the first monthly PTA Newsletter of the school year, and a very warm welcome to all the new Reception families! Here you will find details about upcoming PTA events, activities and fundraising.

Full details about all the below can be found on SJP PTA Facebook or the PTA website.

Wed 27 Sep – PTA MEETING 1 (of 6)

We would love to see you at our first meeting of the school year at 7.30pm in Moran's, Bath Road. We hold one meeting every half term and discuss PTA events, activities and spending. No pressure at all to get involved but it is always great to see new faces. Come along with a friend, the more the merrier! Thanks to Bronwen and Beano Moran (SJP Parents) for hosting our meetings every year.

moranseatinghouse.co.uk

Fri 29 Sep & Fri 6 Oct – POPCORN CLUBS

Popcorn Clubs are when 60 children watch a film in the school hall while munching on popcorn and having a drink. Two hours childcare for just £4! All you have to do is book a ticket on the PTA website and pick your child up at 5pm from outside the school foyer, we do the rest! Book here: pta-events.co.uk/stjamespta

Parents can volunteer via the PTA website (we need at least six of you to go ahead!) and you get to see what goes on behind the scenes. We have four sets of Popcorn Clubs throughout the school year. Sep/Oct, Dec, Jan & Mar. Our Christmas films are on sale too!

Fri 29 Sep: Junior Popcorn Club (Y3-6) – Mathilda the Musical

Fri 6 Oct: Infant Popcorn Club (Rec-Y2) - Elemental

Fri 1 Dec: Infant Popcorn Club (Rec-Y2) - Arthur Christmas

Fri 8 Dec: Junior Popcorn Club (Y3-6) - Nativity!

Mon 2 - Fri 6 Oct – CHRISTMAS CARD PROJECT LAUNCH

Our children will soon be busy creating their Christmas card artwork in school with their teachers. The A5 Christmas Card Artwork/Order Form will come home via their bags between **Mon 2 - Fri 6 Oct**. If you do not receive your artwork, ask your teacher for it, or there are blank cards on the PTA Noticeboard! Please complete and return order form and payment to the PTA Postbox (foyer) by **Thu 26 Oct 3pm**. Christmas cards £7, wrapping paper £3 & gift tags £3. Pay by **bank transfer** (St James' Primary PTA, 67241381, 08-92-99, Ref: Surname, Cards), **cash** or **cheque** (St James' Primary PTA).

Tue 3 Oct – MUFTI DAY 1 (of 6)

The first Mufti Day in our series of six half termly non-uniform days. Buy the 'Mufti Day Bundle' via the PTA website pta-events.co.uk/stjamespta for £6 and you can sit back and relax knowing you are sorted for all six PTA Mufti Days for the upcoming school year. No more having to find a £1 coin each Mufti Day! You can pay £1 cash to your teacher each time if you prefer. (PTA Mufti Dates: 2: Thu 16 Nov, 3: Thu 8 Feb, 4: Wed 28 Feb, 5: Fri 3 May, 6: Thu 20 Jun)

Thu 5 Oct – ENTERPRISE 5 MONSTER SALE @ 3pm

Join us on the back playground at 3pm for the Year 5's preloved dressing up sale, just in time for the Monster Discos! Items £1-3. Donations welcome in the PTA Dropbox (foyer) or Preloved Uniform & Enterprise 5 bin (Eco Hub) anytime. Look out for the other two Enterprise 5 sales throughout the year (before Christmas and before World Book Day).

Fri 13 Oct – MONSTER DISCOS

6-7.15pm – Infant Disco (Rec-Y2)

7.30-8.45pm – Junior Disco (Y3-6)

Book a space on the PTA website pta-events.co.uk/stjamespta.

£4 per child, which includes a drink and a snack. Look out for the toy table and licensed bar. Please volunteer if you can, we need about 20 parents per disco for them to go ahead. Fancy dress totally optional!

Volunteer via the PTA website, SJP PTA Facebook or email

stjamesprimarypta@yahoo.com



Please volunteer if you are able!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEP

WED 27 SEP
PTA Meeting 1

FRI 29 SEP
Junior Popcorn Club (Y3-6)

OCT

MON 2 - FRI 6 OCT
Christmas Card Project
(Artwork Home)

TUE 3 OCT
Mufti Day 1

THU 5 OCT
Enterprise 5 Monster Sale

FRI 6 OCT

Infant Popcorn Club

FRI 13 OCT

Infant Monster Disco &
Junior Monster Disco

MON 16 OCT

Christmas Fair Poster
Competition (Launch)

THU 19 OCT

Monster Cake Sale

THU 26 OCT

Christmas Card Project
(Order Deadline)



Facebook News: **SJP PTA**

Facebook Selling: **SJP PTA Selling Group**



Booking Tickets for our Events:

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PTA WEBSITE – BUSINESS ADVERTISING

www.pta-events.co.uk/stjamespta

Our website is the place to go to book tickets for many of our PTA events. With a school roll of 420 there are over 300 SJP families who regularly use the website. We have three Sponsorship options available to all school parents/staff for the school year **Sep 2022 to Aug 2023**.

- 1. Premium Sponsor, £150/yr**
Long banner appears on top and bottom of each webpage, on emails, on the Sponsors page and includes a Business Directory listing.
- 2. Secondary Sponsor, £65/yr**
Square banner appears at the side of each webpage, on the Sponsors page and includes a Business Directory listing.
- 3. Business Directory Sponsor, £25/yr**
Company profile listing on the Business Directory page.

Please take a look at '**View advertising opportunities**' underneath the sponsored advert on PTA Events www.pta-events.co.uk/stjamespta or email stjamesprimarypta@yahoo.com to find out more.

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Moran's Eating House www.moranseatinghouse.co.uk
Rachel Art Design www.rachelartdesign.co.uk
Zigs Exercise www.zigsexercise.uk
Together you raised over £700 for SJP PTA last year.

Please make sure you join the **SJP PTA Facebook Group** to keep up-to-date with all the PTA news and events. Join the **SJP PTA Selling Group** on Facebook for sustainable buying/selling. Plus, register on the **PTA Events website** to be able to book your children on our events.



Facebook News: **SJP PTA**
Facebook Selling: **SJP PTA Selling Group**



Booking Tickets for our Events:
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...AND THERE'S MORE!

Thu 19 Oct – CHRISTMAS FAIR POSTER COMPETITION LAUNCH (Free Activity!)

Children are invited to create a colourful A4/A3 poster (handmade or digital) to advertise the PTA Christmas Fair. **Poster must include St James' PTA Christmas Fair – Friday 1st December 2023, 5.30-9pm. Bar, Raffle, Face Paints, St James' Juniors Got Talent Show, Santa's Grotto, Stalls and Games. Name and class on the back.**

Prizes: Two Infants and two Juniors will each receive a £5 Love2Shop voucher. Judged by Mrs Clarke from the school office. All posters will be displayed around school and the winning posters on the PTA Noticeboards. All entrants will get a certificate.

Fri 10 Nov @ 9am: Deadline for entries to the PTA Postbox (or school office if A3). Winners will be announced and certificates handed out in Whole School Worship that morning.

Thu 19 Oct – MONSTER CAKE SALE @ 3pm

The first of our three Cake Sales is here! Please make or buy individual cakes, biscuits or donuts. **NO NUTS ALLOWED!** Please bring them to the PTA Cake Trolley outside the school foyer on the morning of Thu 19 Oct. Then at 3pm come to the back playground and buy cakes for 50p each or 3 for £1.20. **Cash only please!**

Thu 26 Oct – CHRISTMAS CARD PROJECT DEADLINE

Please complete and return the A5 Christmas Card Artwork/Order Form and payment **to the PTA Postbox** (foyer) by **Thu 26 Oct 3pm**. Christmas cards £7, wrapping paper £3 & gift tags £3. Pay by **bank transfer** (St James' Primary PTA, 67241381, 08-92-99, Ref: Surname, Cards), **cash** or **cheque** (St James' Primary PTA). **Please do not miss this deadline.**

RAISE MONEY WHEN SHOPPING ONLINE!

Please register with **Easy Fundraising** via the app (or website). Select '**St James' Primary School PTA - Cheltenham**' as your chosen charity and each time you shop you will be raising money for the PTA, at no cost to you. Individuals and businesses can do this, and all the big retailers are in the mix! **Easy Fundraising:** www.easyfundraising.org.uk/stjcheltenham

LABEL PARTNERS...for all your school items!

We partner with 3 label companies so when you buy from them and enter the code below you are raising money for the PTA. **Mine4Sure** www.mine4sure.com – PTA Code: CHE2106
Stikins www.stikins.co.uk – PTA Code: 19777
Stampstastic You **MUST** use this affiliate link when purchasing any product for us to earn 15% commission: <https://bit.ly/STAMPGL502RS>
PLUS receive a £4.99 discount when you order the School Name Labels Deluxe Bundle, using this PTA Code: GL502RS

SJP PTA AMAZON BOOK WISH LIST

A collaboration between the school and the PTA to get **new books in the School Library**. We have an Infant Book Wish List and a Junior Book Wish List on Amazon. Select the book(s) you want, add a message so we know who bought them and the books are delivered directly to the school. You can even buy a book to celebrate your child's birthday (rather than sweets!). See separate poster for full details.

PTA FUNDRAISING so far this year...

Bag2School 1 **£430** and Preloved Uniform **£250**. Thank you!

PTA VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS NEEDED

If you would like to **volunteer** at any of our upcoming PTA events **please get in touch**. Volunteer via the PTA website, SJP PTA Facebook or email stjamesprimarypta@yahoo.com