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PTFA Newsletter February 2017

As you will have seen in Mr Salisbury's recent newsletter, the PTFA needs more support. It relies almost exclusively on the goodwill of YOURSELVES and is currently struggling to get enough help. We are lacking support from Rainbow Base in particular and are due to lose a lot of experience as Year 6 parents move on. Please do come along to our relaxed, friendly meetings. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask a member of the PTFA.

February Change for Books

In February we are asking children to bring in any spare change/donations which will be collected in buckets in classrooms to buy new books for the school library. PLEASE do send in that change!

Pub Quiz - Sunday 26th February

This year's pub quiz will be held on Sunday 26th February at 7.30pm at the White Lion in Bourton. Individuals and pre-arranged teams welcome to come along. The cost is £2 per person.

Pub Quiz - Raffle prizes please

If you have anything (unwanted Christmas presents?) you can donate to the raffle please give to Jim Mann or in to the school office.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Grant Applications

The PTFA are looking for someone to research and apply for relevant grants from which the school may benefit. There is a huge amount of potential funding which could be tapped in to if someone were able to spend the time doing this. Please contact Harriet Rutter or pass your name to the school office if you are willing.

Stourhead Catering Days - 1st/2nd July 2017 - put in your diaries!

Stourhead Memorial Hall allows the PTFA to provide lunches, cakes and refreshments to the general public. It is the most significant fundraising event of the year but relies exclusively on parental support. This year the event will be held Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd July.

We are looking for a lead volunteer to 'own' each day and many volunteers to assist in shifts. If you are willing to lead, please contact Harriet or anyone on the PTFA.

Swim the Channel

With all our children doing such a great job at the school wouldn't it be fun for our sporting Mums and Dads and young swimmers in the family to do our bit to raise funds for our fabulous school swimming pool.

So we are launching out 2017 sponsored swim.

Our target is to swim the distance of 21 miles from Dover to Calais.

Don't worry not all in one go, or even in the Channel! All you have to do is swim a mile, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile or a distance you choose to suit your child's ability to build our total (1 length for a beginner would be a huge achievement and a welcome addition to the total mileage).

Swim in your own time during half term and get sponsored per length or for a total distance from friends, family or work colleagues.

A copy of the Sponsor Form will be sent home today, or attached to this letter if it's in paper form. Feel free to copy it for friends or family to join in. Please try to complete your swim by Friday 3rd March and hand in forms and sponsorship money raised by Friday 31st March.

Good luck!

Any questions, please ask Leila Bailward.

PTFA Year Reps

We are looking for a volunteer from each year group to be the PTFA representative. Please give your name to Jemima Munro or the school office if you are willing.

Yellow Moon Catalogue

Yellow Moon sells arts, crafts and party fare. They donate 10% of your purchase to the school when you quote our source code reference SST6244.

Car Boot Sale

A car boot sale will be held in April in the school playground. Please look out for more details after half term and save up your items for sale.

Next Meeting

Thursday 23rd February 2017, 3.15pm in school. Please come!