

## MERRYCHRISTMAS

As the first term draws to an end, the PTA would like to extend a big 'thank you' to everyone who has helped out at an event. To give you a quick run through the following money was raised or donated this term:-

Northbrook Wraps - £139.50

Thank you to Dot for arranging.

Cake Sales - £195

Thanks to Dot, Mary and Sarah Jane for organising and all those that donated.

PartyLite Evening - £62

Disco - £145

Thank you to Cindy & helpers.

Carnival Donation - £150

Lingfield Marathon Donation - £200

But the big one has to be the Christmas Fair which rose ..... over £2800!!!

This is an absolutely fantastic achievement, particularly in the current economic climate. However, this would not have been achieved if the quantity and quality of donations hadn't been so good and the support by each year group to the event had been lacking. It just shows what we can achieve with a bit of clearing out of cupboards and giving 30 minutes/or more of one's time.

So, many thanks to everyone who donated to the fair and to those who helped set up on the Friday and helped on the day. However, a special mention and thank you must be made to Siobhan, Marion and Mel for their organisation of the fair. Nick Moss for taking and very generously printing all the photos from Santa's Grotto.

Karen Waugh for her floristry advice, which assisted with the production of the table decorations. And, to Will Saffrey for another fabulous BBQ.

Finally, thank you to all the teachers who helped in the Secret Santa room, Mrs. Lowe for allowing her office to be turned into a market stall once again and for helping with sales of PTA wares. And a big thank you to Margaret for clearing up afterwards.

Calendars/Shoppers and Puddings

Mrs. Lowe still has some for sale in her office so please grab one, or more of the above while stocks last! Thank you to Cindy for arranging the calendars and Karen O'Loughlin and Elisabetta Basagni for the shoppers. Thanks also to MiPrint of Newchapel for the printing.

A general thanks goes to Sandy whose fantastic computer skills produce the posters, tickets & anything else creative to support these events.

Some general information and dates for next year

If Father Christmas brings new bikes or mobile phones for Christmas please donate old ones to the school. We are hoping to hold a bike sale at school sometime next year and we can get cash for the school by recycling mobile phones.

On the 27th March 2009 there will be a second hand uniform sale so please hold on to any unwanted items that you could donate to the sale.

There will be another Bag2School on 30 April 2009, so again, please use this facility to get rid of unwanted clothes and soft furnishings to help raise money for the School.

If you would like a say in how the rest of the PTA money is spent or help us plan our "fun-filled" events calendar for next year please come to our PTA meeting on Wednesday 14th January at 7.30pm in the staffroom.

Have a wonderful Christmas Holiday & a Peaceful New Year!