

Overdale Parents Association

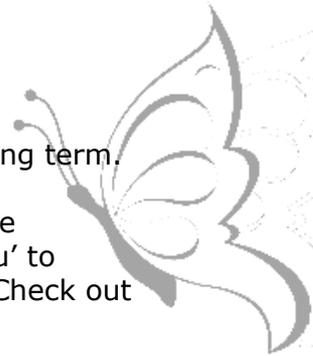
NEWSLETTER

Spring 2017

Welcome

Welcome to the Spring edition of the Overdale Parents Association Newsletter. We hope you had a great half-term break, and feel refreshed as we restart the Spring term.

It has been a busy and rewarding year so far, for the PA, as we continue to organise events to raise money for important projects at both our schools. A huge 'thank you' to everyone who has attended and supported our events. And there's more to come! Check out the diary dates below—we look forward to seeing you soon.



Bingo! "Awesome" Event Attracts Full House

The PA Bingo Night attracted a full house as 180 people packed into the Junior School for a fun-filled evening of fundraising and bingo.

Attended by our pupils, their families and school staff, the evening had a fantastic atmosphere. And, in just two hours, there were four games of bingo, a huge raffle, and of course fish and chips for tea.

Thanks to the generosity of Overdale parents, Majestic Bingo and other local companies, the lively event raised a fantastic £475.

One happy Year 5 pupil said: "It was an awesome night."

A big 'thank you' to Mel Elliott and Gary Bennett for organising the event. If you enjoyed our bingo evening then you will certainly love our quiz night for Parents and Carers, on Friday, March 17. Keep an eye out for details of the quiz evening, which will be available soon.

Dates for your diary

Annual Quiz Night for Parents and Carers

Friday 17 March 2017, 7pm

Easter Cake Sale

Thursday 30 March 2017, 3.15pm

Summer Fête

Saturday 24 June 2017, 12.30pm

Leavers' Discos

Thursday 13 July 2017

Year 2 — 5.30pm / Year 6 — 7pm

*** Please note that the above start times are approximate**

Calling All 'Bake Off' Fans!

Great British Bake Off fanatics can show off their culinary skills, in aid of our schools, this spring. We will be holding an Easter Cake Sale, after school, on Thursday, March 30. Of course, if baking isn't really your thing, you are welcome to donate a shop-bought cake or pudding, too! Every donation counts—thanks to you we raised £365 through our October cake sale.

How the PA has helped our schools

Thanks to funds from the PA, the Junior School has been able to purchase a dishwasher and fridge freezer for the Healthy Hut, and play equipment for the children to use at lunchtimes.

The PA has also contributed money towards the Infant School's new Sensory Room.

We couldn't do it without your help, time and support—thank you!

Festive round-up...

Crafty Year 4 pupils beat off stiff competition to win the Overdale Christmas tree festival competition. Their winning creation was called 'The Nutcracker Tree'.

Around 150 people attended the merry event of carol singing and tree decorating.



Infant School pupils had a magical movie night, in December, too. The Rainbows were treated to a viewing of 'Stick Man' and 'The Gruffalo's Child', while Years 1 and 2 enjoyed 'The Secret Life of Pets'.

Coming soon...

'Frozen Fridays'—Overdale's all-important, summertime institution—are set to resume once the weather warms up. Keep an eye out around the schools for details of when the stall will be up and running.

The PA is also exploring options to support both schools' continued efforts to offer healthy food options.

Can you spare some time over the summer to sell frozen goodies on a Friday? If so, please get in touch with the PA by sending an email to overdalepa@gmail.com

Next PA Meeting:

Thursday 4 May 2017

7pm

Infant School

Do you feel lucky? Join the 100 Club!

Overdale Parents and Carers can bag themselves some cash, while raising valuable funds for our schools, simply by joining the 100 Club!

There's no catch—three lucky winners will be selected from each draw. All you have to do is pay £3 per month.

You have to be in it to win it! To find out more, send an email to Matt Davis, PA Treasurer, at mp.davis@talk21.com

Prize Winners (Winter 2016):

1st Prize (£87.75)	F Ladd
2nd Prize (£52.65)	J Stone
3rd Prize (£35.10)	D Cuthbertson

Congratulations to our winter winners!
Thanks to everyone who took part.

Summer Fete planning gets underway

A busy few months lie ahead for our Fete Committee, as planning for this year's summer event gets underway.

It is not too late to be involved—if you would like to help out at the Summer Fete, which will take place on Saturday, June 24, then email Overdale Parents Association ASAP at overdalepa@gmail.com