

## Helping your PTA

Please let us know if you can help with the following:

- Corporate donations/ match funding – if your company makes donations to local charities please let us know
- Raffle prizes – We are always looking for raffle prizes for our events.
- Volunteer at our May Fair



## Thank you

We have raised £998.34 so far this school year from Phil the bag, our annual Pantomime, the Giving machine, Uniform sales, discos, and the Christmas Fair

Thank you so much for your support!

## Jemma takes up the mantel to lead the PTA

Over the last few months the PTA has been through some changes. At our AGM in the Autumn Ros Coley and Jo Barwick made the incredibly difficult decision to step down from their role as Co-Chair. The PTA cannot operate without a Chairperson and thankfully someone stepped into the role...

*“Hello and Happy New Year! My name is Jemma Tankard my son Leo is in year one and I am very pleased to be elected as the new Chairperson of Capel’s PTA. The thought of the PTA “closing down” so to speak caused me great concern as I did not want any child to miss out on the great events Capel has had or contributed too in the past (May fair, Discos, School Trips, Quiz nights) to name a few. These events give our children something to look forward to throughout the year, which encourages passion for them to learn, grow and enjoy their time at our school. I am not prepared to risk this stopping, which is why I stepped up for this role.*

*My role will be to ensure that we have enough volunteers to continue Capel’s fundraising via our current events as well as new events throughout the school year. Our fundraising benefits your child within Capel and as long as I and the other members of our PTA have your support, time and assistance throughout the year these events can continue. I truly believe we shall succeed with our fundraising goals by working together as a team.”*

Mr Taylor adds *“I cannot praise the PTA enough for the positive impact it has had over recent years. The work to fund raise for the school has made a tangible difference to generations of learning. Our staging, iPads and Library simply would not exist with current school funding. Unfortunately, the pressure on school budgets will not subside anytime soon, in short, we need the school PTA to work with us to provide the provision to keep up with our vision.”*

Read on to find out about our upcoming events and for an update on the school playground fundraising.

## Support PTA while shopping

If you are shopping online, please use the Giving Machine. They give a donation to the PTA every time you use the link, without it costing you a penny. [www.givingmachine.co.uk](http://www.givingmachine.co.uk)

# Capel PTA newsletter



## Capel Primary School Playground fundraising update

So far we have raised £14,000 of the £36,000 we need for our new playground.

We're looking forward to working with you to raise the rest of the money

Above is a picture of the new playground equipment that was chosen by the children. The new playground will feature a four-platform adventure tower with two slides and a fireman's pole. There are various climbing options making it suitable for Key stage one and two.

A second piece of equipment called the Labyrinth provides lots of opportunity for hands on climbing. It has a variety of layered wooden poles and rope climbing frames as well as monkey bars.

Along with the new equipment there will be new flooring to make it a safe environment and one that can be used all year round.

## Upcoming events

22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Quiz night – <b>Please get your forms in by this Friday (15<sup>th</sup> March)</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Own clothes day - Mother's day secrets room – gift donation or £1
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Poacher fundraising walk
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Mother's day secrets room - £2 for a special gift for Mum
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Own clothes day – cakes for the May Fair
4 <sup>th</sup> May	May Fair –May Court, Maypole dancers, choir and the chance to soak Mrs Farr in the stocks! – don't forget your Magic garden
TBC	Happy School Bags (new Phil the bag scheme) – you can bring your bags of clothes and linens for recycling to school anytime after the May Fair

**Current PTA members:** Jemma Tankard, Ros Coley, Jo Barwick, Helen Waite, Claire Walton-Wallace, Cheryl Randeria, Ruth Chilman, Laura Gandon, Nicky Steward, Tina Miles, Gordon Hardwick, Andrew Summers, Katie Watson