

# ST MARY'S NORTHCHURCH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS



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For the year 2020-2021, your continued support has enabled us to purchase new playground equipment, subscriptions to "This Week Junior", and the "Sir Linkalot" Spelling app, Christmas Pantomime workshops, as well as part-fund all the school trips. These are just a fraction of the many and varied things the money we raise, enables us to provide to enhance our children's learning and enjoyment at school, so on behalf of my team, Mrs Osborne and all the teaching staff,

**THANK YOU!**

## Welcome!



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I can hardly believe this is our last issue of School Association News with me as the Chairperson! What a year we've had. Whilst there's no doubt that Covid-19 has severely hampered our fundraising, I'm delighted with how we've taken on the challenges and increased our fundraising from last year, to just over £15,000.

With Simone, Krsna and I all stepping down from our positions on the core team at Christmas, we are keener than ever, to see new volunteers join us, to help keep this vital fundraising going.

If you are interested in finding out how you can help, please drop us an email or DM us via our Facebook page.

Liz Keenaghan-Clark

Your School Association Chairperson



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### Textiles Bin

Last week we took delivery of our shiny new textile recycling bank. Open to the whole community, this is perfect for year-round collections of clothing, shoes, handbags, belts, soft toys and home textiles.



### Santa's Grotto & Games

New for this year and in lieu of the traditional Christmas Fayre, we have organised a games afternoon in the school hall to take place on 14th December. Children in Reception to Year 6, will rotate through the hall in their class bubbles to play the games and there's an optional visit to see Santa in his grotto too. Bookings for the games afternoon are now being taken on our website.

### Christmas Trees

Look out for a competition flyer, stamped by the school, which will come home with your child soon, from The Christmas Tree Place Berko.

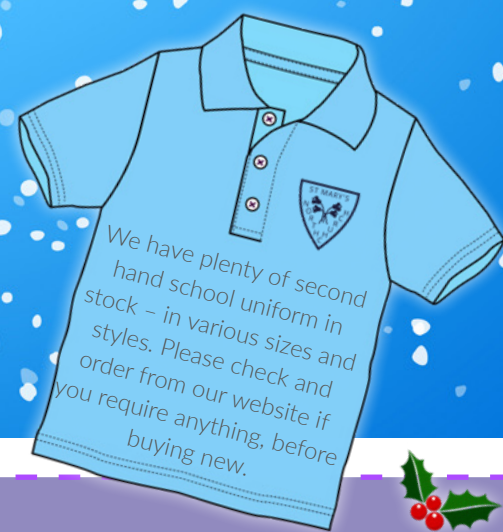
The competition is so simple – just bring the stamped flyer with you and hand it in when you buy your tree from them.

The school who return the most flyers will win a cash prize of up to £200!



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## Who's Who...

The School Association is a charitable organisation run by a small group of parent volunteers. The current team are listed below, though look out for changes to be announced soon, as Liz, Krsna and Simone are stepping down from their roles on the core team.

<b>Chair</b>	Liz Keenaghan-Clark
<b>Vice Chair</b>	Krsna Denham
<b>Secretary</b>	Simone Legg
<b>Vice Secretary</b>	Alison Cheshire
<b>Treasurer</b>	Philip Quelch
<b>Member</b>	Heidi Bolwell
<b>Member</b>	Sophie Clarke
<b>Member</b>	Amy Goss
<b>Member</b>	Sarah Heal
<b>Member</b>	Sarah Jones
<b>Member</b>	Gemma Keen
<b>Member</b>	Sally-Marie Kindell
<b>Member</b>	Emily Street
<b>Member</b>	Julie Anne Turnham

## Santa's Sleigh

The 2021 Rotary Club Santa's Sleigh will be visiting the children of Northchurch on 4th December. Our team of Elf volunteers; Jo Morton, Danielle Bye, Alison Cheshire, Natalie Cooper, Sarah Heal and Tristan Robinson, will welcome your support, as they join Santa on his visit and hope to raise lots of money.

Card as well as cash donations will be very gratefully received!



## Ink Bin

We've teamed up with the good people at Ink Bin to offer you a place to recycle your used ink cartridges. Simply drop any used cartridges in the box located in the school office foyer. All brands are accepted but Canon and HP raise the most money for us!

## Super Market Vouchers

This is a great, easy and FREE way to raise money for the school. You get the same value for your money in vouchers and the school gets a percentage back as a donation. Purchase yours via our PTA Events page.



## My Child's Art

There's still time to order Christmas cards, gift wrap and all sorts of items, designed by your child's festive art. Go to [www.mychildsart.co.uk/order](http://www.mychildsart.co.uk/order) and enter username: **StMarysCE** password: **wKzSPXn9** to view the many products available. They make wonderful gifts for family and friends and we will receive 20% commission on all orders! Order by 8th December to receive your items in time for Christmas.

## Woods Garden Centre

Whenever you shop at Woods Garden Centre, keep your receipt and post it into the School Association box, in the school office foyer. Woods will in turn, convert our receipts into gift vouchers which we can use to purchase raffle items or bits and pieces to make the school building and grounds more beautiful.

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