



PTA Newsletter Spring

Fundraising Update

We cannot believe that the Spring Term is already over and that we will be moving into the Summer Term after Easter. We have so many exciting events coming up, so keep your eyes peeled for updates from our fabulous class reps.

So far this year, we have raised an outstanding **£9,500!** Thank you so much for your continued support, we really couldn't run these events without our wonderful school community.

Here is a reminder of what the PTA has funded so far this academic year:

- **PTA Fundraising Thermometer** - a visible and engaging way for the whole school community to track our fundraising progress. We hope you have spotted this!
- **7 iPads (one per class)** - providing vital access to digital learning tools in every classroom
- **Moveable display boards for the hall** - creating a dedicated space for celebrating pupils' work. These boards allow each class to showcase their achievements, boosting confidence, pride and a sense of belonging across the school
- **TeachMate software** - an AI-powered platform that supports teachers with lesson planning, resource creation and administrative tasks
- **Nessy software** - a specialist programme designed to support reading, spelling, and typing skills
- **Image Theatre (Christmas pantomime)** - bringing the school together, sparking creativity and imagination, and creating lasting memories for the children
- **Year 6 residential** - Quiz Night profits have helped to offset some of the cost for the Year 6 trip
- **Reception play tables** - much-needed replacements for broken equipment, supporting the development of key motor, social, and cognitive skills in a fun and engaging environment



- **Class budgets (£150 per term, per class)** - enabling teachers to purchase additional resources tailored to their pupils' needs
- **Wellbeing budget** - providing tea and coffee for our hardworking staff, contributing to morale and a positive working environment

Every pound raised by the PTA is making a real and lasting difference. From enhancing classroom learning to supporting staff wellbeing and creating memorable experiences, your continued support is helping to provide opportunities that truly enrich school life for all our children. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and support - it really does make a huge difference.

Cupid's Disco

Just before half term, we held our annual Cupid's Disco. The hall was transformed with hearts, music, and plenty of smiling faces, as the children took to the dance floor.

We saw some fantastic outfits, from red and pink party wear to a few creative Cupid-inspired looks. There were some brilliant dance moves on display too - including a few sweet moments where friends teamed up for a dance together.

We are delighted to share that we raised over **£690**, which is a fantastic amount and, most importantly, the children had an amazing time!

A huge thank you to DJ James, who once again kept the children entertained with great music, fun games and endless energy.

A big thank you also goes to all the parents who helped set up, stayed to lend a hand during the discos, and helped with the clear-up afterwards. Thank you for your support.





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Mum's Surprise

What a lovely afternoon we had at our Mum's Surprise Room. The children were so excited to choose their gifts, and we have received some wonderful feedback from families.

A huge thank you to the fantastic Year 6 children who spent the afternoon helping to wrap all the gifts - your help made such a difference. Thank you also to all the parents who helped set up, during the event and to clear up. Thank you for giving your time to help the event run so smoothly.

We are incredibly grateful for all the beautiful donations we received - thank you to everyone who contributed so generously.

We are delighted to share that we raised an amazing **£570!** Half of this will be donated to the RNLI.

We are already looking forward to our Heroes' Surprise Room in June!





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80s Bingo Night

- New Date: Friday 17th April
- Get Ready for a Totally Rad 80s Bingo Night!
- Bring out the leg warmers because we are turning the clock back to the awesome 80s! Join us for a Bingo Night packed with neon vibes, classic tunes and plenty of chances to shout BINGO to help raise funds for Year 4's residential trip to Hindleap. So, while you are having a wicked time, you are also helping the children get ready for an epic adventure.
- Tickets are available to purchase on ParentPay so book your babysitters, bring your best 80s moves and get ready for a night that will be mega fun and all for a brilliant cause!

The PTA Presents ...

80s Bingo Night

Our bar will be open

Rad prizes in our raffle!

Epic prizes up for grabs!

£15 pp includes:

- 8 bingo games
- light snacks
- bingo cards
- dabbers

Fancy dress optional!
There will be a prize for the best dressed!

Doors open at 7pm.
Games begin at 7:30pm.

17th April
7pm

Payments to be made via ParentPay

All profits will go towards the Year 4 Hindleap Residential

Pyjama Day

On Friday 24th April, we will be holding our annual Pyjama Day! The children will be invited to wear their comfiest PJs and bring in their favourite teddy bear for a donation of £2 per child. Please ensure that the children have sensible shoes (e.g. trainers) as it will still be a normal school day and we want to make sure that everyone is safe. The money raised will go towards funding the school's Wellbeing Budget.



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Easy Fundraising

- If you haven't already, make sure you download the Easy Fundraising app as it is so easy to use and they run competitions regularly so you can win as you donate
- Please share with friends and family - the more people who join, the more donations Margaret Roper will get!
- <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/margaret-roper-pta>

School Lottery

- Why not join our school lottery? Tickets start from £1 a week and 40% of all ticket sales are donated back to the school
- We have had an extra 20 people join in the past few weeks so thank you very much!
- There is a guaranteed cash prize each week for someone at Margeret Roper School with a chance of winning BIG MONEY in a separate draw each week
- Visit: <http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play> and search Margaret Roper Catholic School to start playing.
- Please share with friends and family - the more people who join, the more donations Margaret Roper will get!

We will be asking for donations for our Heroes' Surprise Room when we return after Easter, so if you are having a spring clear-out, we would greatly appreciate you setting aside any suitable items to donate. Thank you!

If you have any ideas or would like to share feedback, please contact us at margaretroperpta@gmail.com

Once again, we want to say a huge thank you for your help and support this term. Have a lovely Easter.

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Diary of Dates 2025-2026

Event	Date	Location/Notes
80s Bingo Night	Friday 17 th April 7pm	School Hall
Tuck Shop	Every fortnight	Playground
Pyjama Day	Friday 24 th April During the school day	
Uniform Sale	Friday 8 th May	Pannett Room
Netball/Football Tournament	Saturday 16 th May Early start until early afternoon	Playground
Heroes' Surprise	Friday 12 th June During the school day	
Sports Day	Friday 19 th June	Playground
Summer Festival	Saturday 27 th June 15:00-20:00	Playground
Year 6 Production	TBC	Playground - need bar out
Break The Rules Day	Friday 10 th July	