



PTA Newsletter November 2018

Hello Everyone,

We hope you all enjoyed the mid-term break and are ready for the busy few months ahead. These upcoming months are very busy with the SETNS Greeting Cards, 2019 Calendars and of course our fabulous Winter Market. Please take a few moments to read the information in this Newsletter to keep up to date with everything and how you can get involved.

Bring-A-Bag

Our first Bring-A-Bag of this school year will take place on Tuesday 27th November.

You can drop off your donations on Tuesday 27th November during the following times

- 8.15am-8.30am (volunteers will be available at the Set-Down Area)
- 8.30am-2.00pm in the school hall.
- 6:00pm – 7:00pm in the school hall.

For those of you that are not aware, this is a fundraiser that the PTA organises several times a year. It is an opportunity to donate all your unwanted clothes and our school benefits from your support.

List of accepted items (All textiles must be clean and dry):

- Clothes
- Paired shoes & Trainers
- Handbags & Belts
- Bedding (Except duvets, cushions & pillows)
- Curtains
- Towels

Greeting Cards and Calendars

By now you will have placed your orders for your cards and the Calendar orders have to be returned to the school by Wednesday 21st November. Samples of each calendar are on display at the school. All proceeds go directly to the school.

Friends of the PTA

The PTA needs the support of parents and guardians on specific tasks at different times of the year. These can range from helping out at the Winter Market, Sports Day, Gardening, and other school activities. If you would like to become involved but only have limited availability, this is a lovely way to join in. Please email your details to the PTA at setns.pta@gmail.com and we'll keep in touch with you.

The Annual SETNS Winter Market

Friday 14th December from 8:30am – 2:00pm

It's that time of year again! This year along with our well-loved and much sought-after favourites, sweet sleighs, festive crafts and yummy cakes we have some new ideas to tempt you.

As always, we need your support with this event. There are several ways you can get involved!



'Regifting those Unwanted Gifts'

This year in addition to our fabulous raffle we will also be running a Wheel of Fortune with prizes galore for children and adults. We really do need you to look in the cupboard and 'Regift those Unwanted Gifts' to the SETNS Winter Market. We are also accepting gifts of wine, chocolates, new toys, vouchers, toiletry sets, etc.



Bric-a-Brac and Toys in Good Condition

We are collecting for the Bric-a-Brac and Toy Stall once again. We would ask you to only donate toys and items in good condition – something that you would buy!



Cakes, Biscuits, Sweet and Savoury Edible Items

The Cake Stall and Coffee Shop will be a central part of the Winter Market and we would welcome your donations on the morning or day before. Please ensure that all items are free from blueberries, nuts and traces of nuts!



Many Hands Make Light Work

We also need help setting up the hall on Thursday Morning 13th December and break-down and tidy up on Friday afternoon.



A Stage Assembly Team

We would like to use the stage this year and are seeking assistance with assembling it. This task is probably suited to volunteers with strong hands! If you are willing and able to help us just assemble the stage, we'd love to hear from you!



Are you Crafty???








Our PTA and friends are already working hard at preparing some lovely craft items and novelty festive treats. If you are willing to lend a hand to make some additional crafts or would be available to help out with some of the existing items, please get in touch.



Performances

Don't forget that all the children will be performing with their class some lovely songs that they are busily preparing at the moment. We will notify you in advance of the approximate time of each class performance.

Just to Note:

-  You can drop off your donations at the school from this week onwards during school hours.
-  If you would like to get involved, please email the PTA at: pta.setns@gmail.com
-  If you have a crafty idea, please email the PTA at: pta.setns@gmail.com
-  If you have any contacts for some really good prizes we would love to hear from you!
-  We are also looking for donations of some festive trees and decorations to enhance the look of the hall!
-  Keep an eye out for updates on Facebook and the SETNS Newsletter for more information.
-  We have a limited number of spaces for external stalls, so please book early to avoid disappointment. The cost for the day is €30 and you will need to bring your own table.
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This event is a fun-filled magical day for the whole SETNS community. From when the doors open at 8:30am right through to the finish at 2:00pm it is SETNS Winter Market Day. The children come and go, perform proudly for the audience gathered. Excitement whether to spend their money on the Lucky Dip, or those toys (which look very familiar to the ones at home). Those chocolate buns look tempting, don't they?

For the adults, it's a lovely place to pick up some nice gifts, to take a chance on the raffle. Stand proudly and laugh and smile as the wonderful SETNS teachers and staff encourage the children to perform those well-practised songs. To take the chance to sit down and have a cuppa with other parents and enjoy the atmosphere.

Stalls include:

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|  | Craft, Gifts and Edible Treats |  | Wheel of Fortune |
|  | Cake Stall |  | Monster Raffle |
|  | Toy Stall |  | Lucky Dip |
|  | Book Stall |  | SETNS Personalised Items |
|  | Face Painting |  | Bric-a-Brac |
|  | Performances by Children |  | Coffee Dock |
|  | External Stalls |  | Festive Games for Children |

We'd really love to see you on the 14th December, so mark it on your calendar today!

From SETNS PTA - Parents and Teachers Working together for our children.