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NEWSLETTER

*XMAS FAIR INFO *Y8 DISCO SUCCESS

Hi everyone,

Welcome to our first update as a new PTA team!

We're planning a busy schedule of activities for the year incl.

the Year 7 Disco, Year 9 Escape Room, the Christmas Fair and

the Second Hand Uniform shop.

These events can only go ahead if we have enough volunteers. Thank you for stepping in to help.

First up, it's the Christmas Fair.

XMAS FAIR - SAVE THE DATE AND GET INVOLVED

It's October. It's practically feeling like winter already. We might as well get organised for Christmas!

We're getting the WOK Christmas Fair in early in the Christmas season this year, on the **1st December on the Tonbridge Campus.** Many hands and helpers are required both before and on the day so if you live for festive cheer and would love to support the school community with the biggest event of the year, read onto the next page to find out how.



The PTA raises a huge amount for the school each year, spent on things like after school clubs, library books and musical instruments and **the Christmas Fair is our biggest fundraiser.**

It is a big undertaking to make this happen and the fair relies on your donations, local business and volunteers to make it all happen. Here's what to look out for in the run up to the event:

Donations

We'll be running **Fair Fridays** throughout November, where we'd appreciate **donations of toiletries, chocolates, unwanted gifts, sweets and cakes.** Look out for further information in our next newsletter.

NEW Christmas Fair Amazon Wishlist

We've created an Amazon Wishlist to make it easier to donate items for Christmas Fair prizes or ones to be added to festive hampers e.g. chocolate multipacks and bottles of wine. <u>The wishlist is open now</u> (click to be taken straight to it), so feel free to donate whenever suits you.



DONATE

How to get involved:

Stallholders - Do you know any local businesses who might be interested in hosting a stall at the Christmas Fair? *Please email wok-christmas@outlook.com with details.*

Donations - Start preparing items that you might wish to donate - large and small - we are particularly interested in receiving donations of *toiletries for the ever-popular beauty hampers*.

Prizes – Please speak to anyone you think might be able to donate an *extraspecial prize for the Raffle or Silent Auction*. Email wok-christmas@outlook.com with details.

Volunteer - you can <u>sign-up here</u> to help with fair prep, set-up and helping on the school stalls. We will be assigning each year a stall, which is a great opportunity to socialise with your year group.

PTA WhatsApp - We encourage you all to sign up to the **WhatsApp Noticeboard** for info about upcoming events and how you can help. No spam - we promise!

In addition to the above, **if any students would like to have/share a stall** at the event, there is a **separate form for them to complete here.**

Y 8 DISCO SUCCESS!

We have raised £3,000 from the Year 8 Discos!

Our thanks go to the combined team of 30 parents, careers and teachers who helped across both sites to make the discos a success.

We know these events play an important part in enriching the lives of our children whilst at school, so we were delighted to see the students having a great time.

Year 7 discos will take place in the New Year. Details to follow very soon.











