



# CARRINGTON SCHOOLS' PTA NEWSLETTER



**AUTUMN TERM 2024**

Following on from the recent AGM in September, we'd like to start off by saying a big thank you to the previous committee members (Kirstie, Kate & Jodie) who stood down after three years, helping to raise just over £62,500 during their time fundraising for our schools.

**AND A BIG HELLO from us all, your new PTA committee!**

We are all looking forward to getting started with all the fun events and fundraising plans for this school year ahead.

## MEET THE NEW COMMITTEE



**CO-CHAIR - ABI SZPUR**  
Mia (Yr.4) & Lara (Reception)



**CO-CHAIR - MATT SCHRADER**  
Fox (Reception)



**SUZIE DRINKWATER - SECRETARY**  
Robyn (Yr.3)




**CLAIRE WILLIS - TREASURER**  
Amelia (Yr.4)



# AUTUMN / WINTER EVENTS CALENDAR



## OCTOBER



**Tuesday 14th Oct - Personalised Christmas cards**  
Earlybird order deadline - You should all have all received your child's design with your unique order code

**Thursday 17th Oct - School Disco & Non-Uniform**

**Disco timings:**

- o Infants 3.30pm-4.15pm (pick up 4.30pm from the INFANTS SCHOOL)
- o Yr 3 and Yr 4 – 4.45pm-6.00pm
- o Yr 5 and Yr 6 – 6.15pm-7.30pm

**Disco Entry- £4**

**Non-School Uniform Day (£1 suggested donation)**



**Friday 25th Oct - Second-hand costume sale**

Donations of unwanted / outgrown costumes please - Hand into the school offices. Then get ready for Halloween and grab a bargain at our stall.

## NOVEMBER



**Saturday 2nd Nov- Village Fireworks Event**

(lots of volunteers needed as always! Read on for more info and the volunteer sign up link - ALL HELPERS GET FREE ENTRY)

**Thursday 7th Nov - PTA Meeting**

The Stag Pub - 7.30pm - All welcome!

**Saturday 30th Nov - Flackwell Christmas on the Heath (3-6pm)**

The PTA have our usual tombola stall - read on for more details



## DECEMBER



**Friday 6th Dec - Second-hand Christmas Jumper Sale**

(ahead of Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day on Thurs 12th Dec)

**Tuesday 10th Dec - Christmas Movie Night**

More info to follow but similar timings to School Disco



**Monday 16th Dec - Christmas Bake Sale**

Donations from parents / carers needed on the day please

**Thursday 19th Dec - Panto Evening**

Aladdin @ The Wycombe Swan Theatre  
Tickets will be distributed after Half Term





# FLACKWELL HEATH VILLAGE BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS EVENT

**We are all really looking forward to this annual event taking place on  
Saturday 2nd November.**

This is a fantastic fundraiser for both our village and schools. All proceeds are shared equally between the PTAs at the Carrington Schools, Juniper Hill and Flackwell Heath Scouts.

## **SO, WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER PLEASE**

Community events like this just can't happen without everyone coming together to help make it a success....

**Below is the volunteer sign up list – you will see there are slots designated for each school as we need to do our fair share – so please sign up for a ‘CARRINGTON’ slot or one of the others for ‘ALL’.**

★★ **SIGN UP HERE** - <https://volunteersignup.org/HX4RY> ★★

## **FIREWORKS TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE**

\*£8 in advance and under 5's go free!

\* TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/flackwell-heath-fireworks-2024-tickets-869918418407>

\*Tickets will also be available in local stores (Daisy's Gift Shop, Unit 4 News and the Cherry Tree pub) as well as your school playgrounds

\*£10 on the gate (limited availability)

Beer, mulled wine, tea, coffee and hot dogs will be available to purchase on the night.  
(Cash or card)

### **Event timings:**

Gates open 17:30

Event starts 18:30





## CHRISTMAS TOMBOLA DONATIONS

**AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS WE WILL BE HAVING OUR  
POPULAR CARRINGTON TOMBOLA STALL  
at Flackwell Christmas on the Heath on Saturday 30th November**

**We therefore need donations towards this from our parents / carers please.  
To be handed in from Monday 25th - Friday 29th November**

**JUNIOR SCHOOL ADULT TOMBOLA DONATIONS** - Donations of unopened bottles (wine, spirits, non- alcoholic fizz) Christmas food / goodies and gift style items

**INFANT SCHOOL CHILDREN'S TOMBOLA DONATIONS** – Similar to the summer fair, a small white paper bag will make it's way home to you for the children to colour and decorate, please add in a treat or two (sweeties, small colouring book, bubbles, pens, a story book, anything your own child would like to win)  
Christmas themed would be great!

**Alternatively, if you have any new children's toys/games we could use for a prize these will be much appreciated.**

We will also be setting up an Amazon Wishlist for the tombola's in case anyone would like to order online with orders coming straight to our designated PTA address - more details to follow closer to the time.



**WE ALWAYS NEED VOLUNTEERS AND ANY HELP  
OR SPARE TIME YOU CAN OFFER WOULD BE AMAZING - THE PTA CAN  
ONLY RUN WITH JOINT EFFORT AS WE CAN' T MAKE IT ALL HAPPEN ON  
OUR OWN!**

**WANT TO GET MORE INVOLVED?**

COME ALONG TO A PTA MEETING (MORE LIKE A CASUAL CHAT WITH A DRINK REALLY!)

SEE US IN THE PLAYGROUND OR

EMAIL US AT [CARRINGTONPTA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CARRINGTONPTA@GMAIL.COM)

# OTHER WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT US

## MAKE YOUR ONLINE SPENDING COUNT!

**Easyfundraising is a brilliant way to raise free donations for your school.**

All you need to do is sign up to support us and then when you do your normal online shopping, simply go via the Easyfundraising App and you'll raise free donations for our schools.

There are thousands of retailers to choose from so don't delay!

### **Sign up today:**

[easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) - Search our school under 'cause'









You can also set up a donation reminder so that every time you shop online with a partner website you'll get a quick reminder to go via Easyfundraising.

You can also keep track of how much you've raised.



**Sign up before 27th October and we'll get an extra £2 (you don't even need to shop)**

**You shop,  
brands donate**

It won't cost you any extra!

Help us make a difference when you shop.  
Visit [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)



**Don't miss out on donations!  
Get the easyfundraising app.**

You've raised **£35.40**  
34 donations in total

Confirmed £12  
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## **DID YOU KNOW WE ARE PART OF 'YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY'?**

**WITH A CARRINGTON SCHOOL WINNER EVERY WEEK - the more people who join the bigger the weekly prize! TICKETS COST £1 EACH**

Plus ... it raises money for your school, the PTA receive 40% of all ticket sales  
**(so it's a WIN WIN!)**

YOU will also be entered into the weekly national school lottery draw with the chance to win £25,000!

Last year this lottery raised us £856. Let's see if we can beat this!  
Anyone can join, friends, family, neighbours ...

**Visit:** [yourschoollottery.co.uk](https://yourschoollottery.co.uk) and search for: Carrington

