



# CHEAPSIDE SCHOOL PTA

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## AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2014

Another academic year is well under way, Autumn is upon us and already Christmas is just around the corner! Looking back at the Summer term, not only did we enjoy some fabulous weather, but we raised a huge amount of money for the school. The Royal Ascot Tea Tent brought in a record-breaking profit this year and our Summer Fete was a huge success both in terms of enjoyment and money raised. The class cake sales were very popular and the warm weather meant that the swimming pool was very busy during the after school sessions which was great to see. After a successful year of fundraising, we rounded off the summer term with a great party for the parents at Guards Polo Club. All in all - a great term. Thanks to everyone who helped make it happen!



So onwards and hopefully upwards. By now you will have received your invitation to the PTA AGM and the welcome drink for new Cheapside parents. As you may know by now, we have decided to step down as Co-Chairs although we hope to remain on the committee for another year. We have had a great year and thoroughly enjoyed our time as Co-Chairs, but it is time to hand over this role to others now - and it would be lovely to see some new faces coming on board, perhaps with some fresh ideas and enthusiasm. With several named roles needing to be filled, now is the perfect time to come onboard. Without the support of school parents, the PTA will not be able to continue – and this will have a big impact on what we can provide for our children at school.

With school budgets being constantly squeezed at the moment, the role of the PTA to help boost the school's resources and extra-curricular activities has become more important than ever so it's imperative that our PTA continues to go from strength to strength.

The PTA is not just about fundraising though. We'd like to think that our events bring the children and the parents of the school closer together – we've had some fabulous parties, fetes, curry nights, discos, etc, where fundraising has almost been a lovely addition.

We have some great events planned for this coming year so please come along to the AGM and offer your help. The committee has always been a mix of parents who work full or part time, parents with young children at home, Dads and Mums – so don't rule yourself out because you feel you can't dedicate much time. Any time you can give directly affects your children at school, and there can't be a better reason than that!

Best wishes,  
Lisa Naji & Marie Sherman

### This term in short:

Thursday 16th October:	PTA AGM (School) & Welcome Drink for New Parents
Thursday 23rd October:	Bag2School
Friday 28th November:	Children's (Yr1-6) Christmas Disco
Wed 10th & Thur 11th Dec:	Fabulous Hamper Raffle at the School Christmas Play
Monday 15th December:	Mulled wine and mince pies after the School Carol Concert