

Friends of Fircroft PTA

Please remember that if you are a parent or carer of a child at Fircroft you are automatically a member of the PTA. There is a Meeting on the first Friday of every month in the Staff Room and we would be delighted for you to attend to share your ideas. We regularly send information on events by email, please let us know if you would like to be included in this.

Christmas Fair

Thank you all so much for your help and support at the Christmas Fair. We raised an outstanding £3,600 and we hope you enjoyed the evening as much as we did. We would welcome your comments about the Fair and how you feel we could improve on it for 2010.

Hats for Haiti

In support of this school initiative, the PTA donated all the proceeds from that afternoon's cake sale. The event was a huge success both in terms of fun, unusual and exotic hats to spot all around the school, and in money donated. The cake sale itself raised £132. Well done everyone and thank you for your generosity.



Playground Redevelopment

After three long, hard years of negotiation, we are delighted to announce that Fircroft School are going to build a longed for adventure play area to replace the small planter maze outside the Infantj Hall. The work will commence during Half Term and should be completed a fortnight or so after, so there may be some disruption. The project has had the support and assistance of the board of governors, the school and Wandsworth Council as well as the constant driving force over the last three years of Kate Boulting and Melanie Griffiths. So far the Council have provided £10,000 towards the project, the school have given £4,000 (when originally only £2,000 was going to be available, thank you Fircroft!) and the Christmas tree sale raised a further £500. We still need to raise a minimum of £1,500 although £2,000 would add planters around the area as well as seating. In the coming weeks, the PTA will be focusing on raising money exclusively for this project. You will see a thermometer-style sign in the playground showing how we are progressing towards raising the last £2,000.

Photos of events

Please can we have photographs of any school or class events. We would like to add them to the school website and we are compiling photo albums of school events throughout the year.

Spring Term Forthcoming Events

Car Boot Sale - Saturday 20th March, 9am-12noon

We are introducing a new event to this term which will give you the opportunity to clear out your home and make some money for the school and yourselves at the same time. You can buy a mat for £5 and table top for £8. Proceeds from any sale you make are yours to keep. There will be bacon butties and vegetarian options available as well as tea, coffee and cold drinks. Due to Health and Safety, it will not be possible to have a car in the playground but if you get there early enough you will be able to drive in to unload. There will be a 50p entry fee for adults.

Spring Hop - Thursday 25th March, 4-6pm

An exciting disco for Reception, Yrs 1 & 2. The £3.50 entry fee will include all drinks and some healthy, vegetarian snacks (cheese, fruit and chopped veg). Fun and games to be had by all!

Summer Term Preview

Summer Fair

The Summer Fair will be held on Saturday 10th July and will include all the favourite stalls such as the Bouncy Castle, Hoopla Duck, Lucky Dip as well as jewellery, plants and food, etc. We would be delighted if you would like to contact us with suggestions for any stalls you would like to be included. The Parent/Carer Directory will be added into the Summer Fair Brochure - please let us know if you would like a listing. The price is £2 for a one-liner, £5 for a short paragraph or £2 for a re-listing.

Fun Run

A new entry for this year is the Fircroft School Fun Run in Tooting Bec Common in May. We are planning two runs - one 5k at 10am for adults and one 1k at 11am for children. Get ready to get your sponsorship forms out. Look out for more details in coming weeks. Lets all get fit and raise money at the same time!

Diary Dates:

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| Thursday, 25 th February | Parents/Carers Evening |
| Friday, 26 th February | Cake sale run by Class Reps and parents of Years 3 and 4 |
| Thursday, 4 th March | World Book Day - Dress up day |
| Friday, 5 th March | PTA Meeting |
| Saturday, 20 th March | Car Boot Sale |
| Thursday, 25 th March | Spring Hop - Rec, Yrs 1 & 2 |
| Friday, 26 th March | Cake Sale run by Class Reps and parents of Years 1 and 2 |
| Sunday, 28 th March | British Summer Time begins (clocks go <u>forward</u>) |
| Tuesday, 30 th March | Variety Performance |
| Wednesday, 31 st March | Variety Performance |
| Thursday, 1 st April | End of Term (2 pm) |