

FRIENDS OF NETHER GREEN PTA AUTUMN 1 NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the first edition of the Friends of Nether Green PTA half termly newsletter. Following feedback we felt that it might be helpful to share a regular update of our activities and fundraising with families so here is the first one!

The PTA had a successful year last year getting lots of events organised and planned for children without any covid restrictions. We have built up some funds and would like to share with the community some details about how these will be spent.



New Library Space:

Now that the school hall has been finished and is back to its best, the school want to develop the library area to create a lovely, open space where children can spend time reading and working in small groups. There are plans to refurbish this with new bookshelves, comfy seating areas and to make it a really special place. The PTA are very happy to contribute some funds towards this and work will begin shortly.



Outdoor Learning Space

The other project the PTA is supporting the school with is the development of the area behind the sports hall and the Y4 mobile classrooms in to an outdoor learning space. This is a long-term project that we envisage will be completed over a period of a few years in stages. We are now keen to develop some more set design ideas so that we can get started on phase one this academic year. Below are some drawings that have been mocked up with some possible ideas. To take this forward, **we need some help** with refining the design and understanding what will be possible in the space that we have. This is where you come in. **Please get in touch with us if you have any design / landscape architectural experience** that you think will be able to help us develop and refine the designs so that we can move this project forward.

Nether Green Juniors School Garden Project – Layout Visual 1



Continued fundraising

There are lots of ideas for how the school environment could continue to be improved, but funding is needed for all of these. The PTA will continue to plan events for our children and community that we hope will be enjoyed by all as well as raising some funds, but we would also like to give families the opportunity to contribute more generally to these projects. Consequently, we plan to set up a 'go fund me' page which will accept general donations and can be made via a QR code. Families should not feel obliged to do so, but if they can and feel they would like to we would happily accept contributions so that we can help the school realise more of its ambitions to improve the learning experience for all of our children. Watch this space!

Upcoming events:

We have **LOTS** planned over the next couple of months so watch this space!!!

Thursday 19th October	Bake sale after school (donations from Y6s)
Thursday 19th October	Winter celebration card designs brought home
Friday 3rd November	PTA walk from school at 9am
Thursday 7th December	Y3/4 cinema club (3.35-5pm)
Thursday 14th December	Y5/6 cinema club (3.35-5pm)
Friday 15th December	Elfridges event in school
Week commencing 20th December	Winter Festival
Saturday 13th January	Christmas Tree recycling event with NGIS
Friday 26th January	Burns Night social (adult only event with food and entertainment). Save the date – details to follow!!