



# Gnoll PTFA Newsletter

## March 2023



Welcome to the new PTFA newsletter. For those of you who may not be familiar with the PTFA, we are a group made up of parents, guardians, grandparents, teachers and any other willing volunteers. Our main aim is fundraising, with the money we raise put back into the school to help provide facilities and enrich the school lives of the pupils. However, we are also dedicated to providing the children of Gnoll Primary School with wonderful experiences, fun events and happy memories. Hopefully many of you already follow us on Facebook but if you don't please like our page as we often post details of upcoming event and share photos for you to enjoy.

### Halloween BOOgie

Last term also saw the return of the much anticipated Halloween disco. This was our first disco since COVID and its was amazing to see all the children in their wonderful outfits having such a spooktacular time...We have missed it!

### When Santa came to Gnoll Primary

The end of last year was truly magically when Santa came to visit the children at school. The PTFA were able to pull some strings and get the main man to visit and were even honorary elves for the day (as the real elves were far too busy at the north pole). We created our very own grotto complete with fairy lights and the children loved chatting to Santa and even sang him songs. This was topped off with some fun in the snow and every child received a gift. Seeing the children's faces and watching them dance in the snow was one of our highlights.



### 1, 2, 3, 4...I declare a Penny War

Last term we held a penny war between the classes raising £446.17. Thank you all for your donations of loose change. The children really enjoyed filling their class jars and we were so impressed with the results. The winning Class for the Juniors was Mrs Harcombe's Year 3 class raising a huge £44.04 and the winners for the infants was Mrs Jones' reception class with a massive £66.27. Here are photos of our winning classes enjoying their prize cinema experience.



## Multi Use Games Area - MUGA

Our most recent fundraising drive has been in aid of the new Groll MUGA. I'm sure many of you will have seen the works being undertaken in the existing outdoor sports area. With your support, donations and participation in our events we have been able to contribute a huge 50%...that's a massive **£10,400** towards the cost of the improvement works and new MUGA posts. We are very excited to see the finished facility at the upcoming opening event where we will be selling Krispie Kreme doughnuts and other treats



## Up coming events!!!

We are already busy planning lots of events for the rest of the year, the next being a non-uniform day on the 31st March with donations via parent pay.

We will also be running a family quiz for May half term with some prizes up for grabs, a royal Coronation event with lots of fun activities, a big summer disco and of course the annual leavers event for our current Year 6. Look out for further details which will be shared with you soon.

## We need you!



The PTFA are in need of your help! We understand that people are busy and may not be able to commit to every meeting or event but we cant do what we do without volunteers and any little bit of help would be gratefully received. This may just mean helping at events when you can, cutting out paper crowns or wrapping pass the parcels. Or maybe you are able to help in other ways...Do you work somewhere or have connections to companies that maybe able to donate money, supplies, cakes, prizes etc.?

If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a member or you think you can help in any other way we would love to hear from you. Please come and see us at the grand opening of the MUGA for a chat or feel free to contact us via our Facebook page.