



CAGE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (PTFA) &
FRIENDS OF PHOENIX AUTISM CENTRE TONBRIDGE (PACT)



Welcome to our first newsletter of 2016! We hope you find these newsletters informative. The PTFA and PACT would like to wish you all the best in this new year and we look forward to your continued support!

Best wishes for the new year!!!

What would you like to see on the playground?

We are planning to help the school improve the equipment on both playgrounds. We hope you will agree that the wooden boat on the KS1 playground has seen better days, and that a covered sitting area would be a welcome addition to the outdoor environment.

Do you have any other ideas? Now is the time to have your say!

Please talk to us, or email us at cagegreenpta@yahoo.co.uk or tell us on Facebook 'Cage Green Primary School PTFA'.

Christmas Fair

It was fantastic to see so many of you support the Christmas Fair, in the run up to it with your generous donations, our regular helpers and plenty of new hands too giving their time for the preparations - we were actually ready 40 mins before the doors opened! Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves with the various activities we had throughout the school; our traditional raffle and tombolas proved very popular; and many families and friends enjoyed dressing up and having their photo taken together in the new photo booth. You helped us raise a massive £3,814 so a huge thank you for your support!



We are very excited that the interest in **PACT** has been increasing recently particularly in the local community. Many of you are familiar with who we are and what we do but we thought we would use our newsletter to explain a little more about this.

Friends of the Phoenix Autism Centre Tonbridge (PACT) are a small, friendly charity dedicated to support parents, carers and families of children with autism spectrum conditions at Cage Green School. We hold regular Coffee Mornings, Information Sessions and Specialist Talks and Fund Raising Events - Supporting Children with ASD at Cage Green School.

So come along and join us - We welcome all parents, carers and friends of children with autism spectrum disorder and similar needs at Cage Green School and from the local area.

For more information email secretary@pact-cagegreen.co.uk



Vacancies

PACT is a very small parent-led charity and we rely on the support of parents and carers to run our charity. We are very much in need of new members and particularly people who are willing to take on a role within in the committee to ensure we can continue our successful work in supporting the children with ASD at Cage Green.

Film Nights

Our second film night of the academic year was successfully attended as we raised £103.31. **If you have any suggestions of films you and your children would like to watch, please let us know!**



Second Hand Uniform Sale

You can buy good quality second-hand uniforms at affordable prices. All proceeds go towards the school. We have a wide selection of dresses, skirts, trousers, shorts, cardigans, sweatshirts, double-sided fleeces, plimsolls and t-shirts for sale, priced between £0.20 and £3. Our last sale raised over £25.

Dates For Your Diary

Friday 12th February, 3pm, School Playground:
PACT Cake Sale

Wednesday 24th February, 9.30am at Tonbridge Parish Church:
Introductory Sleep Workshop by Gail Wagstaff from Contact a Family. Free event but places are limited so booking is required at secretary@pact-cagegreen.co.uk.

Wednesday 2nd March, 7.30pm:
PTFA Meeting - All welcome!

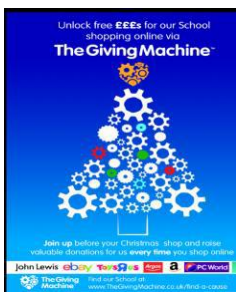
March, date to be confirmed:
Easter Disco: 4.15pm-5.15pm: Year 1 & Year 2; 5.15pm-6.15pm: Year 3 & Year 4; 6.15pm-7.30pm: Year 5 & Year 6

Wednesday 16th March, 10am, Tonbridge Parish Church:
Understanding Pathological Demand Avoidance Syndrome and Management Strategies by Tracy Weiner, a parent of a child with PDA.
Free event but places are limited so booking is required at secretary@pact-cagegreen.co.uk.

Monday 16th May, 7.30pm:
PTFA Meeting to plan the Summer Fair. All welcome!

Thursday 19th May, 3.30pm:
Film Night (Suggestions welcome!)

Saturday 2nd July, 11.30am-2pm:
Summer Fair



Stuck for a New Year Resolution easy to do all year round? How about raising money for the school whilst doing your shopping online?
How? Register for free at <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/find-a-cause/> and search for "Cage Green PTFA." You can choose up to 4 causes to support. You generate commissions by shopping online with over 1,500 retailers including Amazon, Play.com, John Lewis, eBay, Sainsbury's and Next. The Giving Machine converts your commissions into donations for your chosen causes so you are raising funds for the school for free !!! So far this year, you've helped us raise £21.74.

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**Ideas?
Suggestions?
Please tell us!**