

Loxwood School PTA News

Dates for your diary:

PTA meeting – Tuesday 26th June, 8pm

Sports Day – Wednesday 27th June

Summer Fair! – Friday 6th July, 5.30-8pm

Weekly cake raffle
– every Friday,
tickets on sale
8.30am in the
playground

Fun run – rescheduled to September (date

It's hard to believe that we only have 7 weeks left until the end of another academic year! We love the Summer Term because it means it is time for our biggest fundraising event – of course, it's the Loxwood Primary School Summer Fair! This issue of PTA News has everything you need to know about our 'Summer of Sports' fair and other key events for your diary.



Summer Fair

This year's school Summer Fair is going to be bigger and better than ever! It looks to be an action packed event geared towards the family with lots to keep everyone entertained.

Our very own Loxwood Singers and Kicks Dancers will be opening the event; there will be a BBQ, bar, café, pop up tea tent, face painting, stalls, giant inflatables and rides, games for the children, a grand raffle, tree of promises, the hugely popular Loxwood's Got Talent and more!

Sponsors

We are extremely grateful to all our sponsors this year. A particular mention must go to our main sponsors – Knight Frank, JM Roofing, Loxwood Preschool, Jim Hills Sports Warehouse, Little Harriers, John Murray, Silverback Studios, James Paul Cars and Loxwood Youth Football Club. Thank you to everyone for the incredible support we have received already. We would not be able to run the event without the support of these local businesses.

It's Back! Loxwood's Got Talent!

Back by popular demand, there will again be a talent show this year where the children will have the chance to show off their special skill to a captive audience. Last year we had singers, dancers, musicians, gymnasts and even a couple of comedians. Do encourage your children to sign up but be quick as spaces are limited due to time constraints on the night, the sign-up sheet will be reception from Monday 18th June.

We can't wait for this year's talent showcase!

Raffle

Hopefully you will have received the Summer Fair raffle tickets in book bags. Don't forget to bring them in weekly between now and 29th June in the sealed envelope provided with the child's name and House. This is so we can see which House sells the most tickets this year. It got pretty competitive last year! There are plenty more tickets at reception so we would encourage you to sell more if you can. The more we sell, the more money for the school.

We have some really amazing prizes this year, including a unique piece of Simon Pure Jewellery, Royal Pavilion tickets for the Loxwood Joust that are not available to buy, a round of golf for 4 at Slinfold Golf Club, Wings & Wheels family ticket, beauty treatments, gifts, flowers, days out and more! See the school website for a full list of prizes. Thank you to everyone that has donated so generously to the raffle and tree of promises.



The Great Loxwood Bake-off

This year, we will hold our very own Bake-Off at the fair. Children can make biscuits, cakes, cup cakes, whatever they fancy along the theme 'Summer of Sports'. Entries must be brought on the day please, labeled with the child's name and age.

Cake donations

We love cakes but last year we had so many that we ended up virtually giving them away, which was rather heartbreaking. To prevent wastage, please can we ask just for homemade or home decorated cakes from the children to be entered into the Bake-off. If you would like to make a donation towards cakes then do give a cash donation and we will put it towards the café and pop up tea tent.

Donations

This year we are asking for 3 different donations weekly on a Friday, so hopefully it's easy to remember that way.

Please bring in your Summer fair donations on the Friday morning. We will have a collection table in the playground, next to the cake raffle. Your child can swap their donation for a raffle ticket. One ticket will we picked each week in Friday assembly to win a weekly prize! If you can't get to the shops then please send your child with a small donation (we suggest £1). We can use any cash donations to help in the other costs associated with running the Summer Fair.

Friday 22nd June

Sporting toys for the toy tombola

Friday 29th June

A can or bottle of soft drink for the Fizz Hoopla

Friday 6th July

Either bring in your entry for the cake competition

Or alternatively something to add to the toy tombola or Fizz hoopla or a small cash donation to help with the set up of the BBQ and children's games

Friday 6th July will be non-uniform day!

We need your help

Like all school events, we need parent help to make it a success. Sadly it doesn't just happen without volunteers! Each year group is responsible for an area (eg. Year 6 is running the bar, Year 4 the raffle and tree of promises etc.). So please speak to your Class Rep if you can give up some time to help – they have already been working for months to ensure the event is a success.

If you think you can spare some time in the run up to the fair or on the day, it would be very much appreciated. Two weeks before the fair, sign up sheets will go up in the school playground on a daily basis for you to put your name down for a stall (or contact us through Classlist if you can't physically sign up). If you can give up half an hour of your time, then we can make this event run smoothly. We will also have sign up sheets for the Juniors in their classrooms as we will need their help running the children's stalls please. Many hands make light work!

Enough about the Fair..!

Cake Raffle plus

The Cake Raffle that takes place every Friday has proved to be a big success. We hope all you lucky people have enjoyed the cakes that have been won. Thanks to all your donations, we have been able to purchase two i-pads with the cake raffle money, which is fantastic. We will be having a bonus prize for the week of the 22nd June, as well as a small baked donation there will be a voucher for a manicure from Louell beauty! Tickets £1

Fun run postponed

Unfortunately due to the unusually muddy conditions, we have had to postpone our Fun Run this term. We promise it will take place in the Autumn Term – fingers crossed for a dry Summer!

Sports Day refreshments

The last couple of Sports Days have been very hot so this year, the PTA will have a cold drinks stall in the afternoon for spectators to buy themselves a cold can of drink.

What we have used the PTA funds for:

So far this year, we have given the reception class some much needed resources money. We have also pledged funds for the new infant outside area.

In addition to the iPads bought from the cake raffle money, we were generously match funded by Fidelity Investments who donated over £1,000, 20% of our Christmas fair takings which enabled us to buy 2 iPads and a Mac for the junior department.

A big thank you to everyone for your continued support with our fundraising activities. We look forward to seeing you at the fair.