

CHRISTLETON PTA

NEWSLETTER

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NOVEMBER 2025

Welcome Back to School!

We hope you all had a lovely half term and are feeling refreshed and ready for the busy few weeks ahead (and well rested to help with the Christmas Fair (2).

Thank you so much to everyone who has already sent in donations and raffle prizes. Your support really does make a huge difference as we prepare for our biggest fundraiser of the year, the Christmas Fair.

Our Christmas card orders have also been sent off and should be back with us soon. We can't wait to see everyone's amazing artwork in print.

We've got lots of festive fun ahead, so grab your diary and take a look at what's coming up below.

🗂 Dates for Your Diary

If you're new to Christleton, these donation days help us gather everything we need for the Christmas Fair stalls and prizes. Each item, jar, and treat you send in helps make the fair a huge success, and every penny raised goes straight back into the school. Thank you for joining in the festive fun!

Fri 14th Nov 2025 Toy, Teddy, Book & Gift Drop-Off: good condition toys, teddies, books, or as-new gifts for stalls and prizes.

Fri 21st Nov 2025 🎨 Bottle, Chocolate & Sweet Drop-Off: bottles (boozy, bubbly or fancy non-boozy), chocolates, and sweets for the tombolas. (Unopened items only please!)

Fri 28th Nov 2025 Lucky Jar Drop-Off: fill a clean jar with small treats, sweets, stickers, or little toys and decorate it however you like.

Thu 4th Dec 2025 📸 Christmas Film Night: after-school movie treat - details coming soon.

Fri 12th Dec 2025 Cake Drop-Off: cakes for the cake stall, home-made or shop-bought. Please label ingredients and keep those yummy treats nut free.

Fri 12th Dec 2025 A Christmas Fair: the main event, after-school family fair with stalls, Santa's Grotto, games and food — a festive favourite for everyone.

<u>Drop-off points will be located on the Key Stage 2 playground at morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up.</u>

Every cake, jar and teddy helps bring a little more Christmas magic to the fair - thank you for your support!

NEW! for 2025 Festive Slime Stall!

We're very excited to be introducing something brand new at this year's Christmas Fair - our Festive Slime Lab!

This year the children will be able to visit our special Slime stall to choose their slime colour and scoop their favourite mix-ins like glitter, beads, sequins and sparkly charms.

Each pot will be pre-made by our team and ready to personalise on the day - no mess, just festive fun!

We're collecting mix-ins such as glitter, sequins, beads, confetti and small charms (like nail charms), as well as any PVA glue or Slime Lab activator you might have at home that's no longer needed.

Donations can be dropped off on any of the PTA collection days listed above.

It's going to be a brilliantly sticky addition to this year's fair and we can't wait to see which creations sparkle the most!

Blind Date with a Book 7

A new treat for the grown-ups and big kids at this year's Christmas Fair! Take a chance on a mystery read, wrapped and ready to surprise you, with just a few clues on the front to tempt your choice. Will you end up with a cosy romance, a thrilling adventure, or something completely unexpected? We're collecting good condition adult and older children's chapter books (no picture or baby books please). Drop them off on any of our collection days and we'll get them beautifully wrapped and ready for their new readers.

It's the perfect excuse to curl up with something new this winter. Who knows... it might just be a perfect match.

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY SUPERDRAW!

Feeling lucky? Everyone who has a Your School
Lottery ticket this month will be automatically
entered for free into the Superdraw - with the
chance to win a Nintendo Switch 2 bundle
or £500 cash!

Tickets cost just £1 a week, and every entry helps raise vital funds for our children.

Join the draw here!

Kids' Christmas Jumper & Festive

It's that time again... sleeves too short, PJs riding up, and jumpers that only fit the dog!

We're setting up a Kids' Christmas Jumper & Festive PJ Stall at this year's fair so you can grab a bargain and give last year's outgrown favourites a new home.

Please drop donations at any of our collection stations on the dates above or in the uniform donation box in reception.

Pre-Loved Uniform

A big thank you again to Cathy for keeping our uniform rail stocked and organised. Please keep donating your too-small school gear and buying the next size up to help raise funds and support sustainability.

Donations for uniform purchases can be made via the honesty box or directly to the PTA:

Christleton County Primary
School Association (CCPSA)

Sort code: 30-91-92

Account no: 02726470

Position Available: Santa's Stand-In

Due to prior commitments and a busier than ever workload, the North Pole is seeking a local representative to take on a very special starring role on behalf of Santa at this year's Christmas Fair!

Role: Santa's Stand-In (temporary contract, one magical afternoon only)

Location: Christleton Primary School - Grotto HQ 🎄

Pay: Unlimited smiles, festive cheer and possibly a mince pie or two

Essential Skills:

- 🗸 A hearty "Ho ho ho!"
- ✓ Warm, jolly personality with excellent gift-distribution skills
- Commitment to keeping the Christmas magic alive for all
- Looks great in red and loves being the centre of festive attention

If you think you fit the bill (or know someone who does), please email ChristletonPrimaryPTA@gmail.com.

Applications open until the sleigh is full! 🦙



If you'd like to lend a hand
at the fair, join our
Volunteers WhatsApp group to
help with set-up, stalls and
games - even half an hour
makes a big difference!



TGet Involved - Be Part of Our Christmas Fair!

We're looking for stall holders, sponsors and raffle prize donations to help make this year's Christmas Fair the biggest and best yet!

If you'd like to run your own stall, please complete our quick online form here:

Book a Stall

We're also offering stall sponsorship opportunities for local businesses and families who'd like to support the event. If you're interested in sponsoring a stall please hit this link <u>Sponsor Form</u>

- 🛨 £25 Sponsor Your name featured in our fair programme and newsletter
- 🌟 £35 Sponsor Programme + feature on our PTA Facebook and Instagram pages
- £50 Sponsor Programme, social media shout-out, and your signage or leaflets
 featured on your sponsored stall at the event

And of course, we're always grateful for raffle prize donations - vouchers, hampers, experiences, or treats of any kind are all hugely appreciated.

If you'd like to donate a prize, please email ChristletonPrimaryPTA@gmail.com.

Every bit of support helps raise vital funds for the school and makes the Christmas Fair extra special for the children. Thank you! 🌲 🤝

THANK YOU, AS ALWAYS, FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE SUPPORT. LET'S MAKE THIS CHRISTMAS FAIR ONE TO REMEMBER!

Easyfundraising

Shop online through Easyfundraising and your favourite retailers will donate a percentage of your spend to the school — at no extra cost to you! Over 8,000 retailers take part, including Argos, Tesco, John Lewis, eBay and Just Eat.



<u>www.easyfundraising.org.uk</u>

Match Funding Schemes

Some employers will match the money you help us raise, doubling our fundraising at no extra cost to you. Please check with your employer to see if a scheme is already in place or if they'd be willing to set one up.

Find out more here