



Panshanger Primary School

PTA Newsletter - Autumn 2022



A big warm welcome to all new parents at Panshanger! We have a very active PTA at our school raising money for the children to enhance their learning experiences wherever we can – classroom equipment, playground improvements and of course, the pool. If anyone would like to get involved, please get in touch.

YOUR PTA COMMITTEE

We are all volunteers and ALL parents at the school are automatically members of the PTA so if you wish to get involved to help fundraise and enrich the children's school life or have any questions, please contact pta@panshanger.herts.sch.uk or speak to your class rep. Your PTA leads for 2022/23 are:

Chair – Gareth Turner
Vice Chairs – Lucie Theabould & Karen Collie
Treasurer – Kelly-Ann Mills
Secretary – Leanne Hall
Gift Aid Co-ordinator – Natalie McCarthy

URGENT NEWS - THE 100 CLUB!

Want to join our 100 Club with a chance to win £100 each month of the school year? Only a very few numbers remaining!! Please email 100clubpta@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS CARDS

You should all have received your child's Christmas card artwork and order form. Please order online using the link on the form by **11th November**. Forms should not be returned to the school office. Any and all orders placed help raise money for the PTA.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We have lots of exciting plans for the year ahead including:

- Sun 6th Nov: Fireworks (@ Springmead School)
- Wed 30th Nov: Christmas Wreath Making - TBC
- December – Panshanger Festive Gin on sale
- Fri 2nd Dec: Arthur Christmas Film Night
- Fri 27th Jan: New Year Disco

AND MANY MORE. Keep an eye on our social media pages for all the latest news and events:

[facebook.com/panshangerpta](https://www.facebook.com/panshangerpta)
[instagram.com/panshangerpta](https://www.instagram.com/panshangerpta)



FUNDRAISING / DONATIONS

The PTA managed some fantastic fundraising last year!! Some highlights (there's lots more we can't fit in!):

- Swimming Pool Party Hire £3165
- Film nights x3 £1184
- Summer Fair £1940
- 100 Club £1096
- Fireworks £995
- Panshanger Gin £52
- Challenge 2022 £2057
- Break The Rules Day £321
- Cauliflower Christmas Cards £295



ONLINE SHOPPING

Using these costs you *nothing extra* but the PTA receives a cut every time you shop...

AMAZON SMILE – Visit smile.amazon.co.uk on your PC or laptop, or activate Amazon Smile in your Amazon app selecting *Panshanger Primary School PTA* as your chosen charity.



THE GIVING MACHINE – Check out the app or the website and use whenever you shop online and The Giving Machine will donate via a wide variety of retailers. When using for the first time, remember to include *Panshanger Primary School* under 'My Causes'.



GIFT AID IT

The PTA can claim an extra 25% on some events/donations. Please can we ask that if you haven't done so before, you complete the form here: <http://panshanger.herts.sch.uk/parents/pta/fundraising/>

EXPENDITURE

POOL - The last 12 months of PTA expenditure has been dominated by refurbishing our pool. With the grant from the Welwyn Hatfield Community Fund alongside some of the amounts raised above, we were able to refurbish it just in time for the end of term. It is now fit for many years to come with state-of-the-art equipment, a new lining, water heaters and a new pump house. Thank you to EVERYONE who helped over the spring/summer – digging, weeding, sweeping, building, cladding, painting... the lot. Big thanks to Mr Watts for his tireless efforts too. We did it!



PANTO - We are also very pleased to inform you that the PTA has managed to raise enough funds to purchase tickets for the Panto at Campus West again this year. Oh no we didn't! Oh yes we did!