

HURSTHEAD INFANT SCHOOL PARENT/STAFF ASSOCIATION Charity Reg. No 1043714

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# CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

The PSA invites you to the Christmas Fair Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 5pm-7pm.

The PSA has a fantastic festive fair planned. This pack contains all the information you should need and an opportunity to help out to make Christmas at the school so very exciting for the children. We look forward to the fun and festive cheer!

Dear Parents and Carers,

CHRISTMAS IS COMING ... the PSA are excited to announce one of our most popular events of the year - the Christmas Fair! Please come along for some festive fun and Christmas cheer. Come and have a go at the chocolate, bottle and toy tombolas; enjoy a hot dog, mince pie or a glass of mulled wine; and treat yourself to cakes and sweets along with other Christmas treats.

There will also be a chance to enter our Christmas raffle to win some fabulous prizes (tickets will be sold online in the lead up to the fair, see below, and the last chance to buy will be on the night).

The fair will be starting at 5pm and entrance is free so bring the whole family along!

The fair is inside and we do not have the facilities to run a cloak room so we suggest you leave your big coats at home but remember to bring bags for all your Christmas treats and prizes!

Please read on to find out how you can help with the fair, book tickets to see Santa, order raffle tickets, buy Secret Santa presents and more!

We can't wait to see you there.

Email: <u>hurstheadinfantpsa@gmail.com</u>

We need as much help as possible to ensure that the event is a success and all of the children and their families have a fantastic evening.

These are some of the ways you can help:

- **Raffle donations**. We have some fantastic prizes lined up however we would love to make this year's raffle bigger and better than ever so if you, your workplace or someone you know would like to donate a raffle prize please let us know.
- Help on the night Each class will be responsible for a stall. Your class rep will soon be in touch. We also always need help with setting up and tidying away at the end of the night.
- For certain stalls to run we rely on **donations**. Please be as generous as you can. The table below tells you the items we would be very grateful to receive and on what day. To show our appreciation we have arranged for two fun events for the children.

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Toys and Teddies for the Children's Tombola Having a clear out before Christmas? We would love your new or nearly new toys and teddies for our toy tombola! This stall is always very popular with the children, and we hope you can help make it a success. Please hand to class teachers. (Soft toys should be washed before donating)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November Non Uniform Day!	<b>Chocolates for the Chocolate Tombola</b> Chocolates in their original packaging with full list of ingredients so we can provide information of any allergens.
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December Christmas Jumper day!	Bottles for the Bottle Tombola Classes 1,2,3,4,5,6 Cakes for Cake Stall Classes 7, 8 & 9 Whilst large cakes are wonderful, they are difficult to sell. Individual cakes really are best. Thanks! NUT FREE ZONE!

# Visit Santa!

On the night of the school fair Santa will be there and you will have the opportunity to meet the big man himself. Santa is thrilled to be able to visit the children of Hursthead infant school!

We have a limited number of spaces available so please book early to avoid disappointment. For your child to visit Santa and receive a gift please complete this google form:

https://forms.gle/XSSup3RksDRjr6L46.

The cost for this will be  $\pounds 3$  and payment details will be sent to you once your time slot is confirmed.

#### Booking closes Friday 24th November



# **Christmas Raffle**

Priced at **just £5 for a book of five virtual tickets**, purchase as many as you like. The more books you buy, the more chances you have to win. Spread the word to family and friends too – it's open to all. To purchase your raffle tickets online, simply complete this google form: <u>https://forms.gle/unNWUigVqfvc8qkj8</u>

**Raffle tickets are on sale online until 5pm Wednesday 29th November**, tickets will then be on sale at the fair with the draw being made on Friday 8th December using a random number generator. Winners will then be contacted by email or phone informing them of how to collect their prizes. Winning ticket numbers and corresponding prizes will also be posted on our Facebook page.

To pay for your raffle tickets, please make payment to the PSA account (bank details below) using reference: **RT/class number/child's surname**. You will receive an email with your virtual raffle ticket numbers once payment has been received.

[This raffle is run by Hursthead Infant School PSA who hold a small lottery licence with Stockport Council (c/o Suzanne Forshaw, Kirkstead Road, Cheadle Hulme, SK8 7PZ).]

## **Christmas Crackers!**

It's crackers! As this was such a success previously, we thought we'd have another "crack" at it! The pupils of Hursthead Infant School make these superb crackers at home and kindly donate them to the PSA to sell at the Christmas Fair to help raise funds - please note this is not a competition.

#### To make a cracker you will need:

cardboard tube, Some paper (Christmas wrap, crepe or tissue),
Ribbon, Small toy (Stickers, hair slide, whistle, pencil, sweets, car etc),
A funny joke

- Firstly, fill the cardboard tube with the prize, the joke and any other goodies you like.
- Roll the tube in paper, leaving about 3 or 4 inches on either end.
- Twist the extra length of paper at the end of the tube so you are left with some 'handles' to pull the cracker.
- Tie some ribbon on these twists.
- It's a cracker!
- Finally please put a sticker on the cracker to signify whether the cracker is specifically suited to a B (boy), G (girl) or E (either)

Please bring the crackers to school by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**. Everyone will have a chance to buy the crackers at the Christmas Fair and have the thrill of finding out what's inside. We will sell all the crackers at £1 each, and we ask that you bear this in mind when you put a treat inside.

Thank you and happy making!



### Secret Santa

It's a firm favourite and is returning for yet another year.

In the spirit of Christmas and giving not just receiving, we have arranged for a selection of presents to be purchased by the children for you, siblings, aunts and uncles, grandparents and any other special person in their life. The children really do enjoy choosing a special present for their loved ones and we know the children love to put them under the Christmas tree or hand them out.

This year your children will have the opportunity to select their Secret Santa gifts during the school day on Wednesday 13th December.

There will be a good selection of adult and children's gifts for the children to choose from. They will be sent home gift wrapped and gift tagged.

For your child to choose a 'Secret Santa' present, please complete the google form below and send payment online using the reference: **SS/class number/child's surname** 

Gifts are £4.00 each

https://forms.gle/VGnrGzbpqW2TqypH7

Form closes Friday 1st December





### Christmas Wreath night

We still have a few spaces left on our Christmas Wreath making night on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 7pm**, £40 per person. Enjoy a festive evening with friends as you create your very own luxury wreath. This is the last chance to book on as booking closes on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

https://forms.gle/whN8nwJ2ZbNArWWN6

Many thanks in advance, Natalie and the PSA Committee