



Cardiff High School

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Message from the Chair

Hello again and welcome to the first Newsletter of the 2016/17 Academic Year.

Firstly I want to thank all parents who have given their time and hard earned cash to support this wonderful school and update you all on the benefits this has brought to your children.

As you know our big drive last year was to secure a grant from the Wolfson Foundation to help us upgrade our Science Laboratories, as part of this we as a PTA made a commitment to raise funds to help. The wonderful news is that at the end of last Term Wolfson Foundation let us know that we had been successful in securing a grant from them of £35,000! This, together with funds from the School and the money we raised last year as a PTA (£15,000) has enabled the school to begin work over the

October half term on updating the rooms which have not been touched since the 1960s. The first job was replacing the corrugated ceilings with new suspended ceilings and brighter lights, making a massive difference to the environment for the students and staff alike. We will keep you updated on progress in future newsletters.

In addition to this we were able to help the Music Department replace outdated IT technology by replacing their equipment at the end of the July, giving them a boost for the new year in September.

The car boot sales are going from strength to strength and have become a regular event every month with a strong regular following. The last boot sale on Sunday 13 November earned the PTA nearly £400 and they will begin again after the Winter

Break in February next year.

It has been wonderful meeting new Year 7 Parents and many of them have already committed to the PTA by attending meetings and coming along to help - thank you!

A new event especially for the new Year 7 families will be a Festive Cinema Night for the students on 1 December, giving their parents a chance to get to know each other over a cup of tea and a mince pie in the hall - please come along if you get the opportunity it would be lovely to meet you.

Finally don't forget our Christmas Craft Fayre on Sunday 27th November from 2 - 5 pm, an ideal opportunity to meet local crafters and buy those unique Christmas presents or cards.

Hope to see or hear from you soon and I hope you have a Happy Christmas and a great New Year!

Julia Phillips Lewis
Chair
Cardiff High School PTA

THANK YOU PTA AND THANK YOU WOLFSON FOUNDATION!

Important Dates For Your Diary:

- **Christmas Craft Fayre—Sunday 27 November 2—5 pm**
- **Year 7 Cinema Night and Parents Social Evening—Thursday 1 December from 5.30 pm**

Upcoming Events - Dates to be Announced:

- **Monthly Car Boot Sales - back in February 2017**
- **Quiz Night**
- **Summer Ball**
- **Raffles**

Details of all our events are available on the Cardiff High School Website

**Festive Film
Tea & Mince Pies
Thursday 1 December**

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How Can I Help?

Ways to support us include helping out or attending one of our events, finding out if your employers operate a fund matching scheme (we would help with any paperwork), or donating a raffle prize. Another way of donating is by joining our School Lottery. A cash prize is won by one of our school community and all participants are entered into a national draw of £25,000 – every week!

Also every time you shop via the 'easyfundraising' app the school gets a donation. Just download the app and shop from any of the 3,141 stores

(including all the main supermarkets, John Lewis, Marks and Spencer, travel agencies and insurance firms). There is no additional cost to you, but it does help the school, you also have the opportunity to pick up on some fantastic offers only available via the app – with Christmas on the horizon what could be easier!

We completely understand that busy lives may prevent some parents from supporting in this way. If so please consider setting up a

direct debit using the form below. Unfortunately the Direct Debit Forms we have issued in the past have not always proved to be successful, unless they are taken directly to the bank by the account holder, but you can always set up a direct debit on line.

Thank you so much and hope to hear from you soon!

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Thank you everyone who helped raise funds in 2015/16!

Financial Donation Form - Please Take In To Your Bank

I wish to contribute the following sum to the Cardiff High School Partnership Fund via Standing Order:

£ _____ per Month

£ _____ one off donation

I would like you to treat this donation under the current Gift Aid rules. Please confirm by ticking the box if you are a tax payer.

Please tick the box if you would like your donation to be anonymous

Name Title _____ Initials _____ Surname _____ Parent of _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

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Please complete the mandate below—or set up yourself via Internet Banking or in Branch

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Bank/Building Society Address _____

Postcode _____ Sort Code ____/____/____

Account No: _____ Account Name _____

Please transfer £ _____ on _____ (date) each month or Please transfer £ _____ on _____ (one off payment)

To the account of Cardiff High School Partnership Fund (Registered Charity Number 1063086) details of which are:

Barclays Bank plc
Bank Sort Code 20-18-15
Account Number 60160776

Signed _____ Name (Caps) _____ Date _____

(The Cardiff High School PTA undertakes not to change these arrangements until you advise us in writing at the school)