

# ST. BIRINUS PTA NEWSLETTER

Issue 1: End of Autumn / Winter Term 2020



## RAFFLE SUCCESS

Thank you to everyone  
your fantastic support of  
our Christmas Raffle

We raised an amazing  
**£1643.80**  
for the school

We are delighted to have  
raised so much money to  
support the school.

We would like to thank the  
following businesses for their  
donations:

The Dyson Foundation

The Milton House Hotel

Blenheim Palace

Jack FM

Asda GWP

Coop Broadway

Didcot Tesco



Welcome to our first newsletter which we hope will give you an idea about what we do and how you can support your child's PTA.

The PTA committee currently consists of a small voluntary group of parents with an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Meeting monthly, our aims are to raise much needed funds for the school and to help to bring about a sense of community in the provision of activities and events. Over the last term we have welcomed some new members onto the PTA committee, and we would like to thank our outgoing members, Tracey and Suzanne for their support and help at events, and Julie for her hard work as Treasurer over the last four years.

Recently the PTA gave the school **£2000** to help support a school project on improving the outside environment for **all** pupils. The School Council were tasked with researching the outdoor seating needed by pupils and where it should be located. Areas requiring improvement are: Tennis courts, the top playground, the top playing field and the Grassed area in front of the science block.

The Student council have made recommendations for outside seating based on their environmental credentials and durability.

They have selected various options, but are keen on purchasing recycled plastic furniture, and are looking at Curved benches and Captain's Treble Seats as they offer flexible seating options.



## ***Congratulations to our PTA Logo Competition Winners***

This term the PTA launched a competition asking St. Birinus pupils to design our new PTA logo. We received some fantastic entries which were narrowed down to the 'final 8' which were then voted for by the PTA committee. The clear winner was Boracay (Year 8) who received a £30 Amazon voucher.

The winning design (shown below) was then digitalized by a Year 10 Graphics student for us to use.



We look forward to being able to put on social events and supporting on site school activities to raise funds. In the meantime, we are raising much needed funds in the following ways:

### **PTA 500 CLUB**

**500**

This is a fantastic opportunity to raise funds for just £2 a month.

Our first winners of the October draw received prizes of £57.50, £34.50 and £23. In our second and third draws in November and December the prizes were £64.50, £38.70 and £25.80.

Across the first three draws we have raised **£370** for the school.

The more members the bigger the prizes! To join please go to the PTA page on the school website.

<https://www.st-birinus-school.org.uk/2218/school-fundraising-and-pta>



When you are doing any on-line shopping if you go to the website via easyfundraising the PTA will receive a small donation.

Since September we have gained 25 supporters and raised £160. It's easy to sign up and a great way to raise funds.

Please register to the support our cause using the link below:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stbirinuspta>

### ***Second-Hand School Uniform***

The PTA hold a stock of blazers and PE tops. If you would like uniform or have something you would like to donate to the PTA please e mail us at [sbs\\_pta@st-birinus.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:sbs_pta@st-birinus.oxon.sch.uk)



### ***Keeping in touch with the PTA***



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