

7th September 2026

Dear Connaught Families,

Hope you all had a good summer break and a special welcome to our new Year 3 families!

We are writing to confirm some upcoming PTA dates for your diaries and also, for those new to the school, to let you know a bit about the PTA itself.

The Connaught Junior School PTA is a registered charity. It is run by parents with the support of the staff at the school.

We aim to provide financial support to the school by holding fundraising events and activities for our school community. The extra funds raised help to enrich the school experience for the children.

In the last academic year, we raised over £15,000 from holding the following events:

***Christmas Cards and Fair, Discos, Break the Rules Days, Happy Bag Collections,
World Book Day Event, Sports Day Refreshments, Summer Fair***

The money raised last year has funded 32 iPads, items for Outside Play and Learning (OPAL), Y6 Leaver Activities and Sports Day Ices for the children.

It is great to be able to provide these extra activities and to be able to purchase items needed by the school. However, we can't run our PTA without support from parents/carers. We have the following events coming up and hope that you will be able to attend/support in any way you can.

Wednesday, 23rd September 2026 – Annual General Meeting

Please join us if you can, **7pm in the school hall**. Our first get together for the year where we hope to see lots of parents/carers coming to support us in whatever capacity they can, whether that be by volunteering to be a new Class Rep / continuing as a Class Rep, or popping in to find out a bit more about what we do and or offering some fundraising ideas. It is a great way to network with other parents and feel part of the school community. Everyone is welcome, we are always looking for new ways of raising money for our school and we can't run our events without your support 😊

Monday, 28th September 2026 – Break the Rules Day

A day where the children get to break a few of the school's golden rules, more details to follow shortly.

Friday, 9th October – Disco

Our first disco of the year for the children. There will be music and pocket money items for the children to buy. More details on how to book tickets and how to volunteer to help on the evening will be sent shortly.

Tuesday, 3rd November – Happy Bags Collection

Bags will be sent home nearer the time for you to fill with your no longer needed clothes, accessories and unwanted gift items. Date will be confirmed as soon as possible.

It may seem a bit soon to be talking about Christmas but please note the following dates for our Christmas activities:

Thursday, 15th October – Christmas Card Order Deadline

The children will be designing their own Christmas cards in school shortly. Order forms will be with you early October for you to buy your gifts and cards online, ahead of Christmas.

Monday, 23rd November – Mufti Day for Christmas Fair Donations

More details to follow on this.

Saturday, 28th November – Christmas Fair

A highlight of our fundraising calendar, the Christmas Fair will be held from 12noon until 2pm. We will need lots of support to be able to run this event, more details to follow on this shortly.

Finally, we continue to raise funds via Easyfundraising – please consider shopping via their website as we will get a percentage of what you spend if you select the school PTA as your chosen charity [Connaught Junior School PTA, Bagshot Fundraising | Easyfundraising](#). It is easy to do and in the run up to Christmas we could potentially raise a lot of money from your online shopping.

Thank you in advance for your support and here's to a great year of fundraising!

Connaught PTA