

NEWS

AUTUMN 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

September 2024 – July 2025

Break the Rules Day – Fri 25th Oct

Halloween Trail – Half Term

Christmas Fair – Fri 6th Dec

Christmas Raffle & Shhhh – Date TBC

Silent Disco – Thurs 13th Feb

Silent Disco (Adults) – Fri 14th Feb

Tipsy Tea/Bongo Bingo – Sat 29th Mar

Easter Egg Trail – Easter Holidays

Break the Rules Day – Fri 23rd May

Race Night – Sat 7th June (TBC)

Summer Fair – Date TBC

Bags 2 School – Dates TBC

Can you help?

We can't put on any of these events without the goodwill of volunteers. If you'd like to be added to the Volunteer list please contact us at PTA@crockerne.co.uk

Friends of Crockerne Newsletter

Hello Parents, Carers and Children to a new academic year here at Crockerne primary. An extra special warm welcome to all our new Nursery and Reception families who have joined us and are embarking on their Crockerne journey. We hope the children have enjoyed their first few days and we truly hope that you, our parents & carers are ok after what I know, will have been an incredibly emotional time. I can't begin to tell you just how well loved and nurtured your children will be, and they are in the safest of hands.

This is the seasonal newsletter for the Friends of Crockerne (the PTA) which aims to keep everyone updated with plans & events for the year ahead and ways YOU can help without even realising you are! Last year we raised an enormous £12,500, an incredible amount and all because our parents & carers supported us and our events. All of the money raised, goes directly to enhancing your child's school experience. Your wonderful children deserve the very best, and we are here to make sure that happens. If you have an idea, or want to volunteer or offer help in anyway, please just grab me at the gate, (I love to chat) or drop us an email. Welcome to Crockerne!

Charlotte
Chair of Friends of Crockerne
(Mum to Freya in Year 6)



Staff Volunteer days from Local Businesses

We continue to build invaluable relationships with businesses in the surrounding community and during the Summer Holidays we were lucky enough to be supported by two wonderful companies who released staff to volunteer at our little School. Staff from **Morgan Structural & Kerry Foods** gifted us with their precious time painting, weeding and helping where help was needed. We can't begin to tell you how very grateful we are for their help. What a selfless community we live in! Thank you so much! This new initiative is one, we will be continuing to roll out over the next year so, if you work for a company who would also like to volunteer their staff for a volunteer day, please drop us an email.



Silent Disco for the kids AND the grown-ups!

The Silent Disco was a huge success with lots of lovely feedback. Children will be asked for their favourite song this time so we can make sure they have their perfect playlist.

As we have the hire of the kit for a few days we thought it would be super fun for us adults to have our own Silent Disco too. Friday 14th February (Valentines night). Get that babysitter booked, so you can head out for a drink & boogie or grab a group of your girlfriends to giggle the night away. Cheaper than a Valentines meal out and walking distance to home so no taxi required!



Halloween Trail & Easter Egg Trail throughout the Village



Think Scarecrow trail that the village enjoyed during Lockdown, Well Louise & Vince Meek Hopkins are organising a Halloween Trail to take place during October Half Term. A map will be available to help you hunt where the ghoulish creations will be. More info to follow on this. Contact Louise Meek Hopkins if you'd like your house to be on the Map.

The Easter Egg Trail was such a huge success that we are doing this again this year. Our very own talented Abi Murray has given the wooden Eggs a much needed new look. The hunt, like last year will take place during the Easter Holidays. We will have 15 Eggs dotted around the village for you to try and hunt down. More details to follow.



FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Including some of the following:

- Break the Rules / Non-Uni Day - £765.43
- Easy Fundraising - £157.67
- Easter Egg Village Trail - £271.99
- Hot Choc / Ice Creams - £1412.60
- Race Night - £792.32
- Silent Disco – £206.14

**For full details please see the
'Fundraised & Spending 2023/2024'
Posters in the notice board**

JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING

This will be our Annual General Meeting
Thursday 19th September at School - 5pm
Please let us know if you'd like any info on the
Committee roles available.

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is brimming with articles for parents, to help you support your child's school life and learning, and it's open to everyone!



www.pta-events.co.uk/crockerne



Friends of Crockerne PTA



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New Playground Equipment for KS1

We have an exciting new plan for the KS1 playground. We have worked really hard to make sure we have catered for all ages who play in this area. Watch this space.

Christmas at Crockerne

Christmas is always a very special time at Crockerne, with lots of festive fun to keep the magical cheer. With the large hall decorated, Christmas Dinners, Christmas Jumper days, the Christmas Raffle & Shhhhh, our seasonal Fair and maybe, if we're super lucky, a visit from the big man himself.



Tipsy Tea & Bongo Bingo – Date TBC

Think Afternoon Tea but with a glass of Fizz. We are aiming to hold this ticketed event as a Mother's Day celebration. Invite the incredible women in your life, be it your Mum, an Aunt, a Sister, a Grandma or a group of girls who you'd be lost without to celebrate an afternoon of fun and giggles. After the Tipsy Tea, the doors will open to the public for a fun evening of Bongo Bingo. We are super excited about this, we are just finalising plans.

DON'T FORGET – The first Friday of the Month is Hot Chocolate & Cookies Sales

DIY SOS (Save Our School) Day

We will be looking to host another DIY SOS day where we ask any willing volunteers to help us with jobs around the School. Please watch this space for the next date and do please join us if you can.

Our continued promise to our Outside Areas

We know just how important being outside is to our wellbeing, so we are finding many ways we can enhance our limited areas to create inspiring, fun and inviting areas for the children to thrive in. If you think you can help with anything from general weeding, tidying, pruning trees to name a few, we'd love to hear from you.

**Finally, a huge Thank you for every
ounce of support you give us, we
couldn't do what we do without you.**

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