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## Summer Party 2017

Diary Dates:

**Fashion Show & Pop Up Shop**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

Didcot Civic Hall 7pm

**New Year Pantomime  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018  
4.30pm.**

Pine Lodge  
Little Milton

**Sharing Information  
Day**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March  
2018**

John Radcliffe  
Hospital



Our summer party/AGM was once again held at the Pine Lodge, Little Milton. Around 30 people attended and the weather was much kinder to us than last year. Activities included designing your own pizza lunch, I think the adults enjoyed this just as much as the children and young people. We also had a graffiti art activity. The group produced two very artistic canvas' one of which was produced using spray paints. We are hoping the one pictured above will displayed in the hospital. I will put a couple of better pictures of the art work further in the newsletter. Our thanks once again to everyone that attended, the staff at the Pine Lodge, The Oxfordshire Pizza Company for their help with providing lunch and to Spens and his colleague who provided the graffiti art activity.

## **Fashion Show and Pop up Shop.**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September**



We are holding our first fund raising fashion show and pop up shop at Didcot Civic Hall on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September, doors open at 7pm and show starts at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £5.00 any purchased by the 24<sup>th</sup> August will be entered into a draw to win a £20.00 voucher to be used on the night, however tickets can be purchased on the night but they won't be entered into the draw. If you would please let me know asap, so you can be included in the draw.



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## **New Year Party/Pantomime**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

The pantomime will be Aladdin and due to the success of last year's event we will once again be using the Pine Lodge at Little Milton. The show starts at 4.30pm and refreshments will be served after the show. The hall will be open from 3pm, you are more than welcome to come early as I know many of you like to use the events to catch up.

## **Sharing Information Day 2018**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

For those of you that have not been before this is a very informal conference type event. We are hoping to have speakers to come and talk about, medication, "helping your child to self-medicate" and the ways drugs can be prescribed to make it easier to remember to take them. A number of parents and young people have recently raised concerns around, self-confidence, motivation and friendships, we are hoping to have speakers who can offer support and information around these topics. If you would like to have information on any other topic please let me know by sending an email or ringing the office. We are in the planning stages of the day so we can easily add in another topic. We think the day will start around 9.00am to 9.30am and finish around lunch time with a sandwich lunch. Our older young people, so those 11 and over, parents and carers are all invited and further information will be sent out nearer the time.

## Contact

In order to reduce costs and the time taken sending information out we intend to increase the amount of information sent by email.

If you know another a family that has not received this news update it is because I don't have an up to date email address, so please ask them to contact the office with a new email address.

It is also the quickest way for me to get information to you sometimes we get offered holidays and trips at short notice and the quickest way for me to let you know about them is by email. If I have to use the post you will miss out, quite often information is circulated to a number of groups

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## General News.

**Unwanted gifts:** If any one has any unwanted gifts that we could use as raffle or tombola prizes we would be very grateful for them. Please drop me an email and I can arrange collection or if you could bring them along to the next event you attend.

**Your contact details:** We have had a number of problems recently with families not receiving information and missing activities and events because we don't have up to date contact details. If you move, change your email address or phone number please remember to let us know. We have no other way of finding out. We want to send more information by email to reduce the cost, there are a couple of families who prefer to receive information by post and that I fine. If you prefer to receive information by post, then you need to contact the office and let us know. Our contact details are at the top of this page.

**Fund Raising and Awareness:** If you know of any events in your area that we could have a stall or information stand at, please let us know. There are however very few of us on the committee and we all have jobs and children with brain tumours. So, if you are able to help us by running the stall at the event that would be great. We can supply information, a gazebo, shaky tins, and roller blind adverts. These events are also a good way of raising awareness of brain tumours in children. Even if we don't raise a large amount money it is great to be able to raise awareness and you never know what can come of having a presence at a school fate or local event.

**Extra activities:** If there is an activity or day out that you would like us to look into, please let us know. It maybe something that we can fund or plan so we qualify for a group booking, so costs are reduced for families. In the past, we have arranged bowling afternoons and a trip to Longleat. We did circulate an idea to plan a bowling afternoon last year, but only one family responded so we did not pursue it. If you are interested, we do need you to respond to us. Depending on cost we may not be able to fund it fully, but we may be able to get a group discount.

## **Thank You to our Fund Raisers.**

Trail Rides Janet & Alan Bayley: £220.00

Mrs Carol MacKay: Donation £30.00

Stag and Hounds Pub, Iver: Collection box on the bar £60.00

Thame Carnival Stall: £201.70

Mr and Mrs Rowe: Donations in lieu of gifts £120.00

Open Farm Day: Donations for rings made of nails: £54.00.

Raffle at the Summer Party: £55.00

Sale of Friends of O.S.C.A.R Fleece: £20.00

Mr and Mrs Dunwoody; Donation instead of sending Xmas Cards £10.00

Recycle 4Charity: Ink cartridge recycling £11.00



Pictures created at the summer party. The bottom one was created using spray paints.



### Friends of O.S.C.A.R Fleeces:

We still have some of the Friends of O.S.C.A.R fleeces for sale at a cost of £20.00 each, please contact me for sizes.

### Xmas Cards:

Sorry to mention this before the schools have gone back and people are still enjoying their summer holidays, but we have an assortment of Xmas cards for sale. It does seem very early so please contact me if you would like an order form which contains information about the design we have and the cost. We do intend bringing some to the fashion show. If you would like some cards to sell at your place of work please let me know, this will give me time to get them to you.

### Travel Insurance:

If you need help with sourcing travel insurance please let me know; I have some information on providers in the office.