

# PSFA Newsletter



Parents, Staff & Friends Association of Darrick Wood

Following on from our last Newsletter the PSFA want to ensure that we continue to provide everyone with information about our plans for this academic year.

We have held two committee meetings online via MS Teams this year, in February and April. Both meetings were well attended and we thank all of the parents and staff who made the effort to join us, and contribute lots of brilliant ideas and feedback to the Committee. We will publish the minutes of the meetings on our website, so anyone who was unable to attend can keep up to date with what has been discussed.

We hope you will all continue to support our cause and help raise much needed funds for our children's school.

## The Big PTA Raffle 2020

A massive thank you to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket. We know that one lucky person from Darrick Wood School won the jackpot of £5000, so a big congratulations to them!

Our supporters raised a grand total of **£1255** for the PSFA.



## School Uniform Sale



Saturday, 8th May 10-11.30am

In order to help prepare for the uniform sale we would be really grateful if we could have donations of the following items if you have any spare:

- Large Plastic boxes with lids.
- Plastic hangers (especially trouser hangers!)
- Clothes rail on wheels

To arrange dropping off of any of these items including donated uniform, please contact the Office at the School. Details of the event are published on the Events section of our website. <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/darrickwoodschoolpsfa/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=36406>

### Our PSFA Committee Members



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## Your School Lottery

At the February meeting we drew the winning numbers for the old school lottery for months of October through to February. Each winner has been posted out their prize money. Details of these will be published on our website.

As published in our last Newsletter we have now closed down the old school lottery and sent letters out to all parents signed up, asking them to cancel any direct debits. If for whatever reason you have not received your letter, please make sure you cancel your payments to the old lottery.

We have now set up a **New School Lottery**, which is much easier to sign up to enter. Tickets cost £1 each and there is a chance to win prizes up to **£25,000 each week!** As well as cash prizes there is also the chance to win £100 B&Q voucher for any tickets purchased before 5th June.

The first draw of the new lottery will be on **Saturday 22nd May** - Please follow the link below to sign up and purchase weekly lottery tickets

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/darrick-wood-secondary-school>

For every ticket purchased 76% goes towards our school and prizes. This really is a simple way for you to raise funds for our children's school and also be in with a chance of winning a substantial cash prize too.



## PSFA Website

Please can all parents register on our new website, this way you can be kept informed of any events coming up, keep track of all funds raised, purchase tickets to future events etc.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/darrickwoodschoollpsfa/index.cfm?event=Register#.YlrMkS2ZM8Y>

## PSFA Logo Competition

In conjunction with DWS Art department, pupils from Years 7-9 were invited to design a new logo for our PSFA. We had many wonderful designs submitted, and it really was a difficult decision for the committee to pick a winner and two runners up.

The winning design and our new logo going forward was by pupil Maxime Heilfort Ocampo from form 7YC

Runners up were Jack Oram in form 7XB and Charlie Van Nuland in form 9YM.

A big congratulations to our finalists, all three will be contacted by their teacher and they will receive a prize from the PSFA for their fantastic efforts, WELL DONE!



## Amazon Smile / Easyfundraising



The PSFA is registered with Amazon Smile and Easyfundraising. Both these platforms provide free donations to us every time you shop with them. This is a really easy way to support the PSFA and help us to fundraise for the school.

Visit <https://smile.amazon.co.uk> and nominate Darrick Wood PSFA as your chosen charity.

Use <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/darrickwoodsecondaryschoolpsfa> when shopping online.

### PSFA Meetings

Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings, which will now take place quarterly. We aim to keep meetings to under an hour and no ongoing commitment is needed. Whilst COVID-19 restrictions are ongoing, we will continue to meet virtually. Why not dial in to our next meeting to find out more about what we do, what you can get involved in and help us to generate some fantastic ideas for fundraising this year.

If you like to be sent a link to the next meeting please email us and we will send it to you.

**Our next meeting: Monday 5th July 2021 at 7pm.**

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