

NEWSLETTER

Summer 2021 Roundup



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A big thank you & hello from your new PTA committee

Dear all,

Firstly, we would like to say a HUGE thanks to Sarah Carroll, Seema Davis, Angela Hurren, Emily Haigh, Mandip Malhotra and Sophie Hillyer who recently stepped down from their roles on the PTA. You have done an amazing job of keeping the PTA running through a very difficult period! Thank you for all the time and support you have given.

We recently held the CLESA AGM where it was reported that £17,587 was raised for CLESA for the financial year ending August 2020. This is a fantastic achievement, given that for half the year, many of the events had to be cancelled and lots of fundraising opportunities were missed.

We now have a new PTA committee in place. It was great to see so many parents step forward and offer help going forward. We know how much our children and parents have missed CLESA events such as the Christmas and Summer Fairs, sausage sizzle and discos to name but a few. We know these events enrich our children's school experience, create opportunities for socialisation and fun, and reinforce the sense of community between pupils, parents & the schools. As Covid restrictions continue to ease and in line with school guidance, we look forward to starting up these events again and hope for more sociable and fun times ahead!

Finally, on behalf of parents, a very heartfelt thank you to all teachers & other members of staff who have worked in very challenging circumstances to keep our children safe. We all wish you a very happy & restful summer holidays.

Nicola Woodward and Sophie Fillmore, CLESA Co-chairs

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3 easy ways to raise funds for CLESA starting now!

Register for our School Lottery – support our school & have a chance of being a winner!

Tickets are just £1 each and you can buy as many as you want. For every ticket you buy, 76% goes to our schools and prizes.

Draws take place weekly and there is a GUARANTEED weekly winner from our schools – the more people that join our school lottery, the bigger the weekly prize. There is also a chance to win a £25,000 jackpot.

Thanks to your support, we are currently selling 77 tickets a week – **help us reach our goal of 120 tickets**. This would enable us to raise a fantastic £2,500 per year for our schools! And you may be a prize winner!

To start supporting go to <u>www.yourschoollottery.com</u> and search for Chestnut Lane & Elangeni Schools.



Do you shop at Tesco, Sainsbury's, John Lewis/Waitrose or M&S? If so, you can raise funds for CLESA for free!

All you do is order a reloadable gift card for the retailer{s} of your choice from CLESA. The gift cards are uploaded automatically every month and CLESA receives a commission at no cost to you. All you are doing is swapping your money for gift cards. The gift cards can be spent in-store at Tesco and Sainsbury's and in-store **and** online at M&S and John Lewis/Waitrose.

The gift card is remotely topped up every month as long as your standing order is in place – easy! And you still get your club points as normal.

For more information contact Trudie Holt at <u>clesagiftcards@gmail.com</u> or look at the CLESA page on the schools' website.



Do you shop online regularly? If so, sign up to Easyfundraising & AmazonSmile.

This is a really easy way of supporting CLESA – it only takes a few minutes to register and it won't cost you a penny!

Easyfundraising

1. Register on the website easyfundraising.org.uk, search for CLESA and click on 'support this cause'.

2. Shop online as normal on your chosen retailer – there are over 4,000 retailers participating and feature all the big names like John Lewis, Sports Direct, M&S, Tesco, Ebay, Argos, Boots.

3. CLESA receives a donation from the retailer – and at no cost to you.

AmazonSmile

AmazonSmile is a charity programme run by Amazon. Every time you buy an eligible purchase Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net price to CLESA. It's the same Amazon as you know it, same user ID, same password, same prices – just with the additional free donation to the charity of your choice.

Simply log onto <u>https://smile.amazon.co.uk</u> using your usual Amazon password and select CLESA as your named charity. If you have the app then simply tap 'AmazonSmile' within settings. Thank you for your support and have a great summer!

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Nicola or Sophie at clesacochair@gmail.com