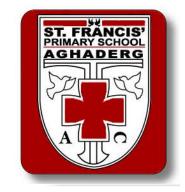
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our PTA met on Tuesday evening to elect their committee and begin to share ideas and suggest activities that will help make the year very special for our pupils and raise vital funds for our three big targets this year:

- 1) A book nook for KS2 reading materials -and a few new books to enjoy, of course!
- 2) First Aid training for P6 and P7 to be repeated every second year so that ALL St. Francis' PS pupils have the chance to learn basic essential skills to help keep themselves and others safe
- 3) Vital funds to help us replace the three remaining defunct whiteboards in P1, 2 and 3.

If an event arises and you might be available to lend a helping hand - in any way – please either email the school with contact details that we can pass on, or reach out directly to Niamh Keenan, our newly-elected Chairwoman or indeed any of our fabulous PTA members. You do NOT need to be involved in every event to be a valuable contributing member of the team.

Our first official event of the season will be a Halloween Disco which will take place on our official Halloween dress-up day - 27^{th} October. Please note that children who do not enjoy dressing up are more than welcome to wear something that makes them happy, instead of dressing up. P1-3 can enjoy a disco in our 'Haunted Hall' from 1.30-2.30 and P4 – 7 will have the chance to dance their socks off from 3-4.00. Suggested donation is £3.00 per child (£8 max for families) and this will include a treat bag. We may even have some glow sticks available to purchase on the day... watch this space for further details.

We will have a 'Cosy' day on the <u>Friday 28th:</u> pupils are encouraged to wear their own cosy clothes for this short day (finishing at 11.00 am) and we will have a mini-fest: 'All Hallows Read' which will be a sBooktacular event celebrating all things booky and spooky.

In advance of this, can we ask that if our families have <u>any books</u> that their children have read and are unlikely to read again, that they consider donating them to the school. They will find a loving and appreciative home on our shelves.

With my sincere thanks our wonderful parents who share our wish for our school to be a place of learning **and** fun,

Mrs S. McKeown