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## Welcome to our latest update

The past few months have been a challenge for us all, but the support that you have continued to provide to the schools has been so positive and welcomed that we are looking forward to what we can achieve together in 2021.

This newsletter aims to provide a round up of our fundraising activities over the past few months.

With thanks to you all,  
from

*The Friends of Nevill Road PTA*

# Christmas 2020



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### Christmas Raffle

Thank you to everyone who tuned in to watch our Facebook Live Christmas Raffle draw in December. We are delighted to announce that we raised a record breaking **£1,742!**

We would like to thank all of the companies and individuals that donated prizes, and everyone who purchased raffle tickets.



### Christmas Elves

The Friends of Nevill Road PTA were pleased to provide Christmas elves to the Junior school.

The elves got up to lots of mischief and gave the children some fun during the festive period.

We wonder if they will return next Christmas?

# Christmas 2020

## Santa Dash

Classes in both Juniors and Infants took part in the sponsored Santa Dash. We were overwhelmed with the amount raised for this fundraising activity, with a huge **£ 3,353** being raised!

Congratulations to all pupils who took part.



## Festive Craft Bags

One of our favourite rooms at a Christmas fair is the craft room and we were so disappointed not to be able to hold a Christmas fair last year. So we put together some of our favourite festive crafts into a Christmas Craft bag for you and your children to do at home.

The bags included everything you needed (with the exception of a bit of glue and paint) to create beautiful baubles, cute pine cone creatures, super snowmen, reindeer food and much more.

We loved seeing the creations and hope the children enjoyed their Christmas crafts. This activity raised **£313**.

## Santa Letters, Christmas Stall & Jumper sale

We loved helping Santa distribute his letters this year, over 150 letters were created and hand delivered!

Together with the sale of Christmas Jumpers and our stall at The Hideout Cafe's Christmas BBQ, we raised **£528**.

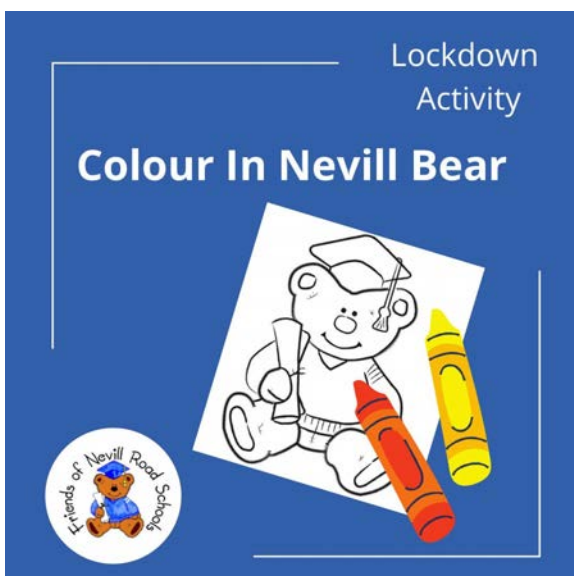


# Lockdown 2021 - Nevill Bear Gift

Lockdown has been hard and we've all dealt with it differently. We wanted to show the children how proud we were of how they were handling this latest lockdown, and give them a gift to brighten their day.

The PTA organised a Nevill Bear Teddy as a lockdown gift for each child.

There are mini challenges that we have been posting on our Facebook group and we would welcome any further ideas of the fun we could all have with our Nevill Bears.



## Colour In Nevill

Back in January we sent out a colour in Nevill Bear sheet. We hope this activity was liked by your children - we've loved seeing the creations! If you would like a copy, it is available on our Facebook page.

# Stocking the Junior School Kitchen



In the summer of 2020 the Junior School was very lucky to win a grant to build a wonderful kitchen. With your support the PTA has stocked the kitchen with all the equipment needed to make it a fully functioning and exciting learning environment.

Year 3 had loads of fun using the kitchen before Christmas, we cannot wait for all other years to get a chance to use it!

**We can only do this with all your support in our fundraising activities. Thank you!**



# School Lottery

Have you signed up to the school lottery yet? You could win up to £25k whilst supporting Nevill Road Schools.

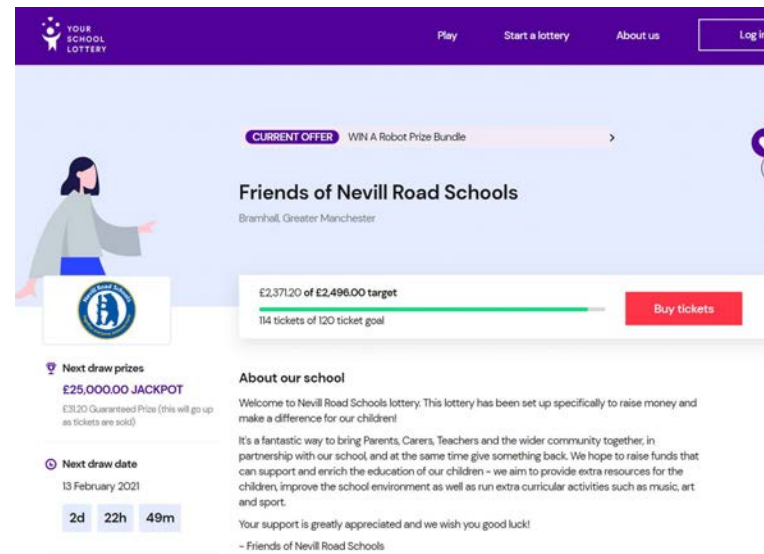
It's super simple to sign up, just visit the link below and click 'buy ticket'. You'll need to register and then you can decide whether to buy tickets weekly or set up a direct debit.

Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week, with a top prize of £25,000!

Each ticket will consist of 6 numbers and each number will be between 0 and 9. There will be a draw every Saturday night when a 6 digit winning combination will be picked. Match all 6 and you win the JACKPOT!

There is also a guaranteed winner for each school every Saturday which is drawn on a raffle basis, so there are two chances to win a prize.

All terms and conditions can be found on the school lottery website.



<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/nevill-road-schools>



# Co-op Community Fund



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Co-op Local Community Fund

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[coop.co.uk/membership](https://coop.co.uk/membership)



Our Co-op community fund is up to a fantastic £400!

All the money raised will go towards improving the infants environmental area.

We receive 2% of all the money spent on Co-op branded products by members who choose to back our cause and you also get 2% back for yourself!

**Please click here** to back us if you are already a member or become one if you're not already. You can shop at any co-op nationally, so please share with family and friends.

Last year we raised over £3,800 for the juniors, let's see if we can top that!



Infants environmental area needs to be developed

You can shop at any Co-op nationally -  
so please share with family and friends.

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/44017>



# Where Your Money Will Be Going



## Infants

Along with the Co-op money, we will fund the development of the woodland area in the Year 1 playground into an outside learning environment.

There are a lot of ideas of what it will look like and we will keep you all updated as the plans are drawn up!

We were very sad to hear that the Reception playground was damaged in the storms in January. So we are very happy to announce that we will be funding the repairs and replacements that are required for there too.



## Junior School

As part of the Aspire Project in the Winter Term all the Children painted their own rocks. We will help fund a Memory Path that will be made from these rocks.

We are also supporting and funding the development of an outside learning environment to go alongside the School Garden.



# About The Friends of Nevill Road PTA

The Friends held their AGM back in November and the Committee looks quite different now.

The Committee would like to say a massive thank you to Claire Williams who has recently stood down as Chair. Claire has been on the Committee for an impressive nine years holding many posts and has been Chair for the last four years. Over that time she has been integral in raising many thousands of pounds that has funded amazing improvements and additions to the schools. She has dedicated such an extraordinary amount of her time, energy and enthusiasm to help our schools, we can't thank her enough. Claire has stood down as Chair but will remain on the Committee until the summer when her youngest son leaves the school. We will all miss her so much, and wish her well for the future.

We would also like to welcome two new members to the committee. Sian Pelleschi and Debbie Hughes are both new Reception parents who joined our committee and have already brought us lots of exciting new ideas, including this newsletter!

Follow us!



Thank you to Goldie Moran Design for our fantastic PTA profile pictures



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Co-Chair



Sian Pelleschi  
Treasurer



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Secretary



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We'd love to hear from you if you have any feedback on our fundraising efforts or suggestions for the future.

We're always open to volunteers, so please do get in touch via email:  
[friendsofnevillroadschools@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofnevillroadschools@gmail.com)

Finally, a huge thank you for all your support. The Nevill Road School Community is truly amazing, and by working together we can continue to work on improving life at the schools for our children. Thank you.

