

# Our Lady And St Edward's Catholic Primary School

## PTA NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2020

As you are aware the PTA have had to cancel many of our usual fundraising events for this year, and sadly this includes the majority of PTA Christmas activities but we are still busy planning events for next year and are happy to have been able to provide funding towards the Year 6 leavers' hoodies, school cinema night, new playground surface/markings and the upkeep of the willow weave. We will also be funding a virtual pantomime for the children this year which we hope they will enjoy and we are in the process of purchasing a new outdoor notice board to advertise future events for the school and PTA. Please find details of the next PTA fundraising event further down this newsletter,

Easy Fundraising – Don't forget to use Easy Fundraising to raise money whilst doing your Christmas shopping online. Download the App and search for the cause "Our Lady and St Edward's Primary School PTA" or follow the link [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ourladystedwardspta](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ourladystedwardspta)

Thank you for the ongoing support of parents, carers and staff and please feel free to join us at our next PTA meeting (currently held virtually via Zoom), we are always keen to welcome new members and ideas.

Vicky Haslam, PTA Chair

## Sponsored Walk to Bethlehem!

Today the children will be bringing home a poster, sponsor form and mileage submission card for our PTA sponsored (virtual) walk to Bethlehem. **It is 2,934 miles from OLSE to Bethlehem** and we thought it would be a great challenge for the children of OLSE and their families to try to collectively walk/run/cycle there!

We hope lots of families will be able to get involved with this challenge and help us to get to Bethlehem by December 13<sup>th</sup>, whilst getting sponsorship from our friends and families. The mileage submission cards will need to be brought back to school on **Thursday** (please drop the cards into the boxes by the gates at the infant and junior entrances) and a new weekly mileage card will then be given out in school on Friday. We will be awarding prizes throughout the challenge for effort and achievement, with an overall prize awarded to the school house colour that covers the most miles, so please encourage the children to get their trainers on and clock up some miles for their team! (Adults can also help to add to their family's miles if going out walking/running/cycling etc).

We are also hoping to match money for miles and raise at least £2,934 as a school, to enable us to buy new seating areas and plants/flowers to further improve the school garden and benefit the children and staff's health and well-being. The children will be able to follow the school's progress on the poster at the school gate.