

FUNDRAISING

We seek to raise money for the 'extras' for which John Roan does not have a specific budget, but which enhance school life: we have provided funds for the training of teachers to drive the school mini-bus and to buy equipment for the Art department.

In the past year, we have supported the PE Dept in buying a range of games equipment including sports shirts, bats and balls.

There are a number of ways we raise money:

Lottery: You can win cash prizes by contributing a regular monthly amount and the more you contribute the greater your chance of winning. To request a lottery registration form, send an email to treasurer@jrja.org.uk or pick one up at a JRSA meeting.

Charity Matched Giving: We always try and get businesses to match the funds we raise. Your employer may already have a matched funding scheme in place – if so, please contact Julian May (treasurer@jrja.org.uk) who will give details of how we can make their money go further, and give them some good local publicity.

School Events: These are part social, part fund raising. We hope to see you there.

If you would like to talk to another parent about the activities of the JRSA please call Simon Baxter on 020 8858 4542 or send an email to info@jrja.org.uk.

All parents are invited to attend the meetings of the JRSA, and to use it to raise matters of concern or interest. Meetings generally take place twice a term.

Dates for all 2009-10 meetings are:

2009: 4th November

2010: 6th Jan, 24th Feb, 21st April, 9th June.

All meetings start at 7.15pm in the Sixth Form at the Maze Hill site.

The John Roan School Association - JRSA



Information for Parents and Carers

(October 2009)

Welcome to The John Roan School. We are parents and carers too, and we look forward to meeting you.

The John Roan School Association (JRSA) is a parent led body supported by the school. Here are a few of us:

Nicki Turner (Yr 9 & 11 parent) - Secretary of JRSA



'I have 2 happy, well settled children at the school and I am very optimistic about its future with a dynamic Head and staff who I think really care about all their students and are full of ideas to provide more opportunities for our children across the whole curriculum. The JRSA meetings provide a brilliant opportunity to meet other parents and exchange experiences of the school. Des Malone invariably attends and we get to hear about what is going on and the future plans, and importantly, we get a chance to tell him how the school is doing from our point of view. It is a real exchange of views and it truly does make a difference.'

My son is now in Yr 8 and I found the challenge of changing schools to be daunting for both parents and pupil. However, with the support of the JRSA I have been able to discuss my concerns within a forum of new and experienced parents who are friendly and very supportive. I am pleased that the school is blessed with a Head-teacher that not only listens but takes action where possible to ensure that all pupils have the best opportunity to learn. The JRSA is committed to the development of the school becoming a centre of excellence for the education of our children. Their efforts to raise funds to support our children's education is remarkable. I am pleased that my son has a good future at John Roan.

Judith Barrett (Yr 8 parent)



Julian May (Yr 9 & 11 parent) - Treasurer of JRSA



I'm pleased that my sons can walk to a good - and getting better - local school that welcomes everyone. Apart from academic work, including the opportunity to study Latin, Seamus has benefited from sports activities, trips to France and the school's Lake District outpost, Braithwaite, and he has also joined the Greenwich Young People's Council and the UK Youth Parliament. Gabriel is enjoying (free) violin and guitar lessons, and playing in the school orchestra. I wish to support The John Roan School, to be involved, and I can do this through the JRSA.'

The John Roan School Association (JRSA) is the parent/teacher body for the school. Its main functions are:

- To act as a forum for parents to raise issues concerning educational and school life matters, for discussion with other parents, teachers and members of the Governing Body.
- To disseminate information between the school and parents.
- To facilitate participation by parents in school life by organising and offering support for activities such as special events, day trips and school journeys.
- To organise events to promote a sense of community at the school between parents, teachers and students. Regular events in the last few years have included a quiz night, a seasonal celebration and a fun run.
- To organise events to raise funds to be spent on school activities.

INFORMATION FORUM

We generally meet every half term. Meetings are attended by Des Malone, the Headteacher, so it's a great opportunity to find out what's currently happening at John Roan from the horse's mouth (sorry Des, no offence intended).

SCHOOL EVENTS

We aim to hold an event each term. We have held a **Quiz Night** for parents/carers for the last 4 years which has been very popular and well attended and certainly supports that old homily about taking part rather than winning.



Multi-Cultural Event – The John Roan is a truly diverse school and last year to support that diversity, it held a celebration event involving pupils, teacher, parents and carers with food, drink and music from across the cultures that form the life of the school. The JRSA lent its support to this event.



The 2009 Fun Run Warm Up

Fun Run – The John Roan Sports Ground has hosted our 3 mile fun run around the fields for the last three years, with a barbecue, pupil/parent cricket game and stalls selling books, cakes and fair trade produce.