



Rowlands Gill PTA

Thank you once again for making the Christmas fair such a huge success and helping to raise funds to support the school. We now look forward to our next event – the Valentine's disco on Friday 9th February – and hope to see many of you there.

Following feedback from the Halloween disco we have made some changes to the format of the upcoming Valentine's disco and wanted you to be aware of this in advance.

- Reception and KS1 disco will take place 3-3.45. Parents will be able to collect their children from 2.50pm if they wish to help their children get changed. Access will be via their classroom doors and not the KS1 entrance. Teaching assistants will be available to help any other children and will then escort the children to the disco at 3pm. If you are unsure where your child's classroom door is, please do not hesitate to ask staff beforehand.
- Reception and KS1 parents and carers are requested to be present during the disco but will now be asked to wait in Hall 2 while the disco takes place. We hope this will create more of a party atmosphere for the children and avoid overcrowding and other safety issues within the hall. Within the disco the children will be supervised by school staff who will be there to keep an eye on everyone and bring your children out to you if they need you.
- We will be providing refreshments (tea/coffee/biscuits) in Hall 2 from 3pm – 4.30pm allowing you to catch up with other parents while the children enjoy themselves. There will also be a small play area for any younger children who will be accompanying you, as well as face painting and craft activities for older children or any children who perhaps need some time out of the disco. There will not be a set charge for this but we would be most grateful for donations.
- The KS2 disco will take place 4 -4.45. They will finish school at 3.20 as normal. You can take your children to Hall 2 from then until their disco starts. We appreciate that some of you may not be able to collect your children and return them to school for the start of the disco, and in those cases, the staff have kindly offered to supervise the children within school until 4pm, when they will be escorted to the disco. No unsupervised children will be allowed in Hall 2. As before, adults and any other children will be asked to wait in the new hall, with refreshments available until 4.30.
- Given the new format, nursery children will be having their own event during their normal hours on Friday 9th February.

Tickets for the disco will be £2 per child and must be bought in advance via Sims agora. Unfortunately, we will not be able to sell any tickets on the day. Tickets include juice/water and a cone of popcorn during the disco. Tickets will go on sale on Friday 26th January. Your payment on SIMS AGORA acts as your ticket.

As you may be aware the school really wants to develop the outdoor space and activities available to the children when they are playing outside. We feel a great first step would be to repair the lovely seating area next to the reception classroom and this is going to be our current fundraising target. We hope to shortly have some quotes for how much the work would cost and it would be fantastic if, with your support, we could raise enough money for this work to be completed as soon as possible so the children can get back to enjoying it!

We hope that this has provided you with a clearer idea of how the disco will work but if you have any questions, please get in touch.

Many thanks, RGPS PTA

Please return the slip below to let us know the arrangements for your child

Child's Name:

Class:

Delete as appropriate: KS1 / KS2 / Reception

- I will pick my KS1 / reception child up from their classroom to get them ready from 2:50pm
- My child will go to the disco but I will not be picking them up until 3:15pm as normal



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