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## KS2 Playground Update from the PTA

### Fundraising

We have had a very successful term of fundraising for the KS2 playground - thank you so much for your support. The October Grow Your Tenner (GYT) campaign will have raised £11,000 if our direct debit donations continue as pledged until January. We will send a reminder to cancel them at the end of January, but you might also wish to add a reminder to your own calendars. The GYT fundraising included a £1000 anonymous donation, plus a £250 donation from an ex-parent with very fond memories of our school.

The school has promised £5000 and we have secured an anonymous donation of £5000 from a charitable trust, which means our pledges are now more than £20,000. But we need to keep going. As we will need to raise £50,000 to do all the work. Although GYT has finished, we can still accept donations and receive Gift Aid via our LocalGiving account at any time. <https://localgiving.com/charity/allfarthing>.

We also have an [Easyfundraising](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk) account which provides access to lots of online retailers and every time you buy through it we receive a commission. We hope that the green tokens at Waitrose in December will provide another few hundred pounds, so do keep dropping by and adding your tokens.

In the last few months we have applied for a number of grants and hope to hear if we have been successful by February. We are also still actively seeking business sponsors and have some fun events lined up for 2016, including an Auction of Promises at the town hall in May and a potential volunteers day in July as we can save a lot of money if we do some of the prep work on clearing the playground ready before the installers arrive. Watch this space!

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## Design & Construction

We have invited specialist companies to survey the playground and their designs are coming through now. Over the last two weeks the children have also been discussing their ideas for the playground and this week we will be hearing their ideas at The School Council meeting. By February we will be looking to finalise a design and invite final tenders before we appoint contractors. Please do let us know before February if you have any suggestions about equipment or design elements that you would like to see incorporated in to the new playground. The more input we have, the better the final design.

So all in all we've been busy and your continued support will help us ensure we can build the children a playground to be proud of!!

Thank you and have a very Happy Christmas.  
Kerena and the PTA

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