Balshaw's
Church of England High School

Monday, 29th April 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

On behalf of Balshaw's Association PTA, I would like to invite you to our Family Fun Day and Spring Fair on Saturday 11th May. The Fair will be officially opened at 11.00am by the Mayor and Mayoress with a guest appreance from 'Lightening McQueen', the racing car from the Disney film 'Cars'. The gates will be open from 10.30am to come on site.

It is a fantastic day for all the family and your friends. We raise thousands of pounds for the benefit of students each year and for local charities. We will have all sorts to make this a great day out for all the family. North West Reptiles will have their collection of lizards, snakes and other reptiles that you can hold. We will have a display from Horus Birds of Prey of their magnificent birds.

There will be activities from Fun Leisure UK in the form of inflatables and rides! There will be burgers, pizzas, ice cream and sweet stalls. The Porsche Owners Club will be here with a display of classic and modern sports cars – indeed you can have a go at Go-Karting on our own Go-Karting track! We will have a Performance Stage with music sets being performed throughout the day, there will be performances from the Leyland Morrismen and the Lancashire Wallopers! This alongside all the other usual favourites – toy stalls, chocolate tombola, drinks tombola and main tombola, smash the crockery, penalty shoot out, cricket, coconut shy and many more.

What can you do to support the Balshaw's Family Fun Day?

- **Buy an entry/raffle ticket:** Tickets are on sale now at £1.00 each. Whilst this provides entry to the Spring Fair, it is also a raffle ticket providing entry to a prize draw to *win a grand prize: last year it was a smart TV!* Each ticket sold is automatically entered into this prize draw with other household electrical items as prizes. Let your friends and family know – the more people who come, the better – this isn't just for people directly connected with Balshaw's. It is possible to pay your entry on the gate. (Entry for under 3s is free).

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- **Non-uniform Day:** Friday 10th May is a non-uniform day. In order to come in non-uniform, all students have to bring in an item for the Spring Fair, in addition to buying an entry/raffle ticket. In particular we are looking for:
    - Bottles for the drinks tombola (wine, spirits, beers etc.)
    - Chocolate bars/sweets for the chocolate tombola
    - Good prizes for the main tombola
    - Used console games (Xbox, Playstation etc.)
    - New or used books in excellent condition
    - Toys/stationery/plants

What can students do?

Students should sell as many tickets as they can. At £1 each, they should be able to sell them to lots of friends and family.

Each year Spring Fair raises thousands of pounds. Let us pray for good weather so that we can really have a fantastic day and raise lots of money.

I look forward to seeing you for a fantastic day on Saturday 11th May.

Yours sincerely,

MR STEVEN HAYCOCKS
HEADTEACHER