



Headteacher: Mrs Victoria Penty

3rd May 2016

Dear Friends,

The Thriplow Ball – Saturday 8th October 2016

The Thriplow Ball has become part of the calendar at our school. It was first run in 2001 when the PTA needed to find a way to raise a large sum of money and thought that it would try an event that would appeal to parents and their friends including those who had no direct contact with the school. It has proved to be both very successful and a fabulous night out. This year we are raising funds to purchase equipment following the school's recent expansion.

For those of you who have not previously attended, the Ball is held in the school's grounds. An enormous marquee fills the school playing field and is beautifully decorated. The evening starts with a drinks reception. We then sit down to a three course dinner, which is prepared by outside caterers. Whilst any specific dietary requirements can be met, this year the menu will be:

Menu

SMOKED SALMON, GINGERBREAD, HORSERADISH CREAM & dILL

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Beetroot mousse, pine nut, feta & pear

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Braised Suffolk Lamb shoulder, garlic & rosemary potato terrine with creamed winter cabbage & red wine jus

Or

Caramelised red onion tart, goats cheese with watercress

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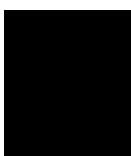
Vanilla pannacotta

or

Cheese Board

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Coffee or Tea with petit fours

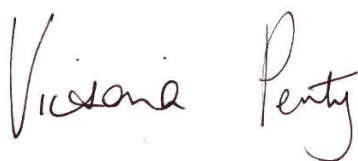


After dinner, we have a bit of fun with fundraising games and we also draw the tickets for the Thriplow School Grand Raffle. Then the dance floor is filled with guests dancing to live music until the end of the evening at 1.00 am. There is a licensed bar which serves beer, wine and soft drinks all evening. If you speak to anyone who was there last time, you will get a good idea of what fun the evening is.

Tickets for the ball this October are now on sale, priced £75 each and are available either individually, or, in tables of ten to twelve. Numbers are limited and we anticipate that tickets will sell quickly. Please note that we are offering an early bird discount of £5 per ticket until Friday 20th May after that prices will revert to the normal price. To be eligible for the discount you must have paid £70 per ticket before 4pm on 20th May.

If you would like more information about this event, please speak to any of the committee members listed below, alternatively please email Thriplowschoolball@outlook.com with your query and we will respond as quickly as possible. If you would like to buy tickets, please fill out the form attached and hand it in to the school office.

Yours sincerely,



Victoria Penty
On behalf of the Ball Committee

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Ball Committee

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