

DSP Lotto fundraiser FAQ

Why are we doing a lotto fundraiser?

The PTA is asked by the school to raise a large amount of money every year to fund items which government funding can't cover. PTA funds go towards school repairs, new equipment such as sports or IT, improvements to school learning areas, a community support fund and extra activities for the children such as sports classes, gymnastics, dance and forest school, amongst other things. We had a busy year last year with many different fundraising events and thought that this year we could offer busy parents an alternative way to contribute while reducing the number of fundraising events. We hope that with fewer events and whatsapp messages, it will leave plenty of time and energy for social events like the spring market and Halloween disco.

Who are 'Our Fundraiser'?

They are being used by hundreds of schools nationwide to fundraise, including neighbouring schools in our area. Find out more at <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/>

Can I pay less than €2.50 or more than €5 a month?

Afraid not, there are the only three options. €2.50 a week is the minimum option. You have the option of €4 a week also. If you wish to enter more than €5 per week, you would need to register again on a different name. However, the idea is that money is raised by many people in the community paying a small amount, rather than the few paying a large amount and we believe that €5 is a healthy cap.

Where does the money go?

52% of all funds raised goes directly to school PTA funds. 25% of the funds goes to fund the cash prizes. 23% of the funds go to pay the organisers 'Our Fundraiser'.

Can I join just as a once off? How do I do it.

The system is set up so that as soon as you join, the first month is taken from your card as an advance. Therefore the minimum you can play is 4 weeks. In order to prevent further play, you can cancel your card straight after you join so that you are only in for the first 4 weeks of play.

Can I amend or cancel my lotto during the year?

Yes! When you join you create a password. Simply log in to change your numbers, add or reduce lines or cancel.

Can my child play?

No! The lotto is only open to people aged 18+. If a child under 18 enters, they will not be able to claim their cash prize.

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Can people outside of the school community play?

Yes! The lotto is open to everyone - grandparents, neighbours, businesses. The more people who join the more funds we can raise.

When is the money taken from my account?

Upon signing up, the first month is taken straight away. Then the next month is taken 6 weeks later and thereafter it will be taken monthly, depending on the date that you signed up on.

When do I have to join by?

You can join any time throughout the year, but to be in with a chance to win any spot prizes in the first draw, you must have signed up before 7pm Thursday 29th Sep.

What can I win?

By signing up you are in with a chance of winning the weekly prize draw and the overall jackpot!

