

Friends of School (FOS) SUMMER TERM NEWS BULLETIN

IT IS THE SUMMER!

Welcome back - and we hope that you have all had a restful Easter break. This term we have plenty of events coming up and hopefully the good weather to follow...

Our main event will be the **Summer Fair on Saturday 1st July**, we are all very excited as we are trying something **new** and we are moving to the **school's field**, there will be plenty of games for all the children and parents, an arena for shows and adult participation in a tug of war, bouncy castles, food/drinks and plenty more for a Fun Family afternoon!! More details to come soon.

Spring Term recap and breakdown of funds raised: THANK YOU TO EVERYONE:

Second-hand Uniform Sale - Rosita and Henryka raised a total of £198. Although, the sale was held at the same time as the Year 5's return from Hindleap, there was a great turnout. If anyone is still interested in buying any summer uniform, please get in contact with Rosita or Henryka. A further 2nd hand uniform sale will be set up during the Summer term at Pre-school, date to be confirmed, for children starting School this coming September.

Cake Sales - Regardless of the raining days, Claire and Greidy raised a total of £513, with the Valentine's and Easter themes with some wonderfully homemade cakes - thank you to everyone that donated.

Social - Fun Quiz Night led by Moya Gentle raised a total of £776, which included the prize winnings of the winner of the golden envelope competition, kindly donated back to the school, by Paul Eldred. Great fun night and hope to do this again next year.

Disco - Another great disco at the end of the term and kids had a fantastic time- Hayley and Cecilia raised a total of £725.

A huge thank you to everyone that led, organised, helped and came to the fantastic events organised by FOS during the winter and spring terms, we have managed to **raise a total of £8212 so far this School year.**

This is a fantastic effort from everyone - **Huge thank you to everyone!**

DONATIONS to the school from Friends Of School (FOS):

At the AGM back in September- **a wish list and an aim for our fundraising** was discussed with the school and with Mrs. Walker.

It was determined that FOS would commit to continue to donate approx. £1110 by purchasing the costs of

- the Christmas lunch crackers (approx. £100)
- the reception school bags for new children (approx. £400)
- the school leavers books (approx. £600)
- the Easter Parade prizes for KS1 (approx. £10).

In addition, this year we have introduced **3 new FOS donation initiatives:**

- (1) a **yearly donation of £700 towards Design & Technology**, which the school will use to purchase the extra materials needed and improve the projects the children do throughout the year and which the children so much enjoy.
- (2) to support the school and our community families with donating funds to **contribute towards school trip costs** - so all funds raised from cake and 2nd hand uniform sales will now be donated to the school at beginning of each term to help contribute towards upcoming school trips. A **total £1395 donated so far**.
- (3) a yearly donation of **£500 for new reading books** for all children to enjoy.

More yearly initiatives on how the funds raised from FOS events can be used are being discussed with the school and Mrs. Walker. More details will follow soon.

Finally, our **big fundraising aim** is to help to contribute towards the school's cost for a **new trim trail** to be built by the long jump and shed area, which will cost approximately between **£10,000 and £15,000**. **FOS have donated £5,000 already** towards this and we hope, that once the Summer term has ended and we have completed all upcoming FOS fund-raising events, to donate more towards the trim trail.

SUMMER TERM:

Plenty of events coming up - see table below. Most importantly our **Summer Festival Fair on Saturday 1st July**.

FOS held a **Summer Fair Planning Meeting on 23rd March** to begin discussions on our upcoming Summer Fair. We have a team of parent volunteers that are busily preparing and coordinating the Fair and we would be grateful for more parent

volunteers to man any stalls at the Fair this year. This is our biggest fundraiser and we are going big this year!

If you would like to get involved, please do get in touch with anyone of us from FOS. We would be delighted for new members and more ideas and any help is always appreciated.

FOS SUMMER TERM DATES FOR THE DIARY

MAY

<u>Friday 5th May</u>	CORONATION Celebration Non - Uniform Day £1 donation on Parent Pay (Party clothes and a crown)	Coronation Badge memorabilia for each child (FOS Donation) and School Hall will be decorated
<u>Saturday 20th May</u>	ALEGRIA 15 years Anniversary Show	School Hall 1.30pm -6pm FOS running Food/Bar (info via flamenco dancers)
<u>Friday 26th May</u>	Cake Sale (St.Gen, St. J, St. E and to contribute)	Top garden and Statute of Mary garden from 2.30pm

HALF TERM

JUNE

<u>Friday 9th June</u>	Talent Show	School Hall (info to follow soon)
<u>Friday 16th June</u>	Non- Uniform Day	Tombola donations for the Summer Fair

JULY

<u>Saturday 1st July</u>	SUMMER FAIR	NEW - School Field (info to follow after half term)
<u>Friday 14th July</u>	END OF TERM DISCO	School Hall (info to follow after half term)



SUMMER FAIR

PLANNING SOCIAL

