The Friends of Wheatfield Primary School

July 2016 Newsletter

Dear Friends,

The summer holidays are almost here, so for the final time for this school year, we bring you an update on our fundraising.

Bike It - May 2016

The sun was shining on this fantastic day of biking, games and jacket potatoes!

Mr Finlay did a fantastic job of organising the cyclists and cycle routes, as well as entertaining the children with some games after lunch. With over 100 people attending, everyone seemed to have a really good time. Thank you to Mr Finlay and to Miss Gregory and Mr O'Regan for helping get our cyclists registered on the day. Thank you also to Miss Dursley and the other teaching staff who came along to show their support.

This event raised £186.40 for the school.

Summer Fayre - July 2016

Our annual summer fayre took place on Friday 1st July and after a week of unpredictable weather, we are delighted to say the rain held off (for the most part) and the fayre was a success.

We had plenty of games to entertain the children and some wine, beer and Pimms to entertain the parents. Thank you to Mrs Marsden and the dance troupe, and Mrs Roberts, Miss Gregory and the choir for their performances, both of which were fantastic. Year 6 gave us a rather rousing preview of their upcoming performance of We Will Rock You. Thank you to Mr Woodworth for organising this and for those who missed the preview but have tickets to the main show, you certainly won't be disappointed.

As always the BBQ was extremely popular and this year we also had a special vegetarian curry option, kindly provided by committee member Sandhya Mangat, and along with sweets and samosas, this brought the flavours of India to our fayre.

Our raffle was also a success and a huge thank you from us to all the companies that donated a raffle prize. Congratulations to all the winners!

Finally thank you to all the teachers, parents and carers who helped set up, baked cakes, ran stalls and helped us clear away at the end. Events like this would not be possible without your time and support, so your efforts are really appreciated.

I am delighted to say that we made £1,203.55 profit for the school, so thank you to everyone who came along and supported the event.

Bunting Contest – July 2016

We were delighted by the number of entries to our bunting decorating competition. All designs were beautifully decorated and really embraced the summer theme. Well done to all the winners, particularly our overall winners, Lola Townsend (5M) and Daisy Jones (1H).

How has the money raised been spent?

Fundraising during the school year 2015/16 has been another huge success for the Friends, and we have raised in excess of £3,200 for the school.

Walking around the school you will see where the money has been spent. We continue to fund the maintenance of the Playpod, provide funding for the garden projects, including the allotment and also continue to help maintain the Wildwood, which the children regularly enjoy visiting.

Over the course of the year we have funded the refurbishment of the KS1 library area and helped to provide classroom resources such as numicon. We have funded the Life Education Bus which visited the school early in the year, and we also purchased some outdoor maths games for the children to use during break time.

Scholastic Book Club

Committee member Jill Bonney has run the Scholastic Book Club throughout the school year. We are delighted to confirm that this year we have raised £122.20 to go towards free school books. Thank you for your orders.

Easy Fundraising

As you shop online for your sunglasses and bikinis, remember that any online shopping you do can help raise funds for the school at no extra cost to you with the online tool, easyfundraising.

There are thousands of participating retailers, including Amazon, Next, Argos and Tesco.

It is never too late to sign up, simply go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk to register.

If you would like to get more involved with fundraising for the school you can become one of our registered helpers, or for a more involved role, join our committee. Please speak to a member of the committee for further information or you can email us at pta@wheatfieldprimary.com.

Thank you for your continued support.

We wish you and your family a wonderful summer break

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