

FoTJS Newsletter January 2012

Happy New Year from FoTJS!



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What a flying start to the new school year we have had! FoTJS was in danger of having to close but within a few weeks we have a great new committee and volunteer bank and we are up and running again. Thanks to all new members. Just remember, the doors are always open to anyone who wants to get involved. Just ask at reception or stop any of us in the playground or at any of the coming events.

The results speak for themselves. Enough money was raised last year to pay for the all-weather resurfacing of the adventure playground which means the children will be able to enjoy this area all year. New pieces of equipment will be added over time which will be chosen by the children. This is what the fundraising is all about. Well done everyone!

We have also managed to raise enough money to provide funding and prizes for various clubs and activities. It's an on-going job, so let's keep it up. The money that everyone raises really does get used for fantastic things for all the children.

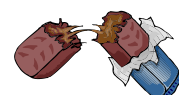
Coming soon

Cross Country



We have a very exciting cross country event coming up this Saturday, 21st January. There could be as many as 14 schools attending and it should be a brilliant morning! The first race starts at about 9.30am, the last race at approx. 11.15am, with the awards following.

FoTJS will be there providing some great refreshments – hot dogs, bacon rolls, crisps and sweets, tea/coffee/hot chocolate and cold drinks too. Come along and support your school and have a second breakfast with us! Even if you don't have a child running, come and enjoy the atmosphere and the excitement of cheering the children on. The more the merrier!





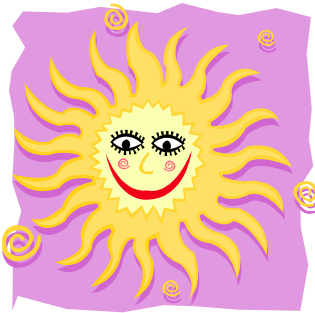
School Disco

You will probably have seen the letters by now about the FoTJS school discos. These will be on Friday 27th January, 5-6.30pm for years 3&4 and 6.45-8.15pm for years 5&6. Tickets cost £3.50 and will be on sale from the school office before 9.30am each day. There are a limited number available for health and safety reasons, so if you want to be a disco diva and get your party gear on, get your tickets ASAP! Drinks will be provided.



Easter Egg Raffle

Due to the popularity of this in previous years, we will be holding an Easter egg raffle again. Tickets will be on sale from 5th March with the draw being held on 30th March. There will be a selection of eggs to win. Further details will follow.



Summer Fayre

The summer fayre this year will be held on Saturday 23rd June. You may think it's a bit early to mention it, but the summer fayre takes a lot of organising. So much, in fact, that there will be a sub-committee dedicated to sorting it all out.

If any parents/grandparents/carers feel they would like to be involved on this sub-committee, please let us know. Leave your name at reception or talk to one of us in the playground. This is such a big event that all help is appreciated.



Sponsored Activity

We would like to hold a sponsored activity later in the year and get all the children involved. It could be something linked to the Olympics or maybe the Queen's Jubilee? We would like the children to be dressed in their house colours with a prize being awarded to the winning house. Mr Macklin Day will be discussing this with the school council but if anyone has any ideas, let us know!



Dates for the diary

Cross Country.....21st Jan
 School Disco.....27th Jan
 Easter Egg Raffle.....30th March
 (tickets available from 5th March)
 Summer Fayre.....23rd June



Requests

- Any fabric or wool please for the sewing and knitting group.
- Volunteers for the sub-committee to help organise the Summer Fayre.