

Friends of Benton Park



6th October 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the Friends of Benton Park AGM edition, with information on this year's events and our fundraising efforts. Thanks to everyone who came to our meetings last week. Congratulations to **Draupadi** (Veda and Nila's mum) who offered to help and won dinner for two at **Jamie's Italian**.

This term we have the new **HALLOWEEN COSTUME AND CAKE SALE** on **Thu 19th Oct, 3pm, KS2 Hall**. Please bring in any donations (clean costumes (Halloween or general dress up), decorations and cakes) any morning from **Mon 16th Oct** and we will collect in the yard. Thanks!

Dates for the Diary

Thu 19 th Oct	Halloween Sale, 3pm
Wed 8 th Nov	Planning meeting, 7:30pm, Lodge
Fri 1 st Dec	Christmas Fair, 3pm
Fri 9 th Feb	Valentine's Cake Sale, 3pm
Thu 1 st Mar	World Book Day Book Sale, 3pm
Thu 15 th Mar	Planning meeting, 7:30pm, Lodge
Thu 29 th Mar	Easter Egg Raffle and Hunt, 3pm
Fri 4 th May	School Uniform Sale, 3pm
Sun 10 th Jun	Fun Run, 10am
Wed 13 th Jun	Planning meeting, 7:30pm, Lodge
Fri 6 th Jul	Summer Fair, 3pm

Join in!

Getting involved is a great way of getting to know other parents and can be really rewarding. **And we need you!** You can give as much time as you like, whenever you like, either helping out at events or in advance. If you can volunteer, please email us (see below) or speak to a regular in the yard:

- Claire Buggy (Daniel Y5 / Ruby Y4)
- Lydia Nelson (Theo Y4 / Claudia Y2)
- Sarah Zobel (Samuel Y5 / William Y1)
- Rhonda Colver (Ruby Rose Y5 / Poppy Y2)
- Harriet Barrie (Eilis Y5 / Angus Y3)
- Molly Hogg (Rowan Y5 / Connie Y3)
- Emma Grover (James Y5 / Sam Y2)
- Gemma Hamilton (Rebecca Y4 / Joe Reception)

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Email: friendsofbentonpark@hotmail.com

Thanks for your support

FUNDRAISING AND SPENDING

Last year we raised an amazing **£6,195!** Our most recent purchase was the fabulous stage in KS2 yard, which has some extra features planned. This year, we will be funding:

- New reading books for each class, chosen by pupils;
 - Christmas panto;
 - Visit from the Shakespeare theatre company;
- and lots more, yet to be decided.

Martin Croom has brilliantly secured grants for an environmental project, new playground markings and sports kits. Also, we will be an official charity of Waitrose in town.

Introducing the...

100 CLUB

...and

£10 for 10 monthly draws and a chance to win half the takings! More info to follow from Sarah Zobel.

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