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FRIENDS NEWS

Welcome to the Spring edition of our newsletter.

FUN DAY (Sat 5 July @ Wilbury) – The date has been set and we are now on countdown until the big day itself. We hope as many of you as possible can come to make it a real success. After the Easter break, we will be sending out various letters for donations and volunteers for the big day. Keep an eye out for them and let’s try to make this year a record breaker and pray for a sunny and dry day!!

BAGS TO SCHOOL– Our spring “Bags to School” fundraiser will take place on Friday 23 May – so now’s the perfect time to have that “spring clean” and put aside any unwanted clothes/shoes so we can raise as much money as possible! A letter will be sent and posters put up to remind you of the date nearer the time.

EMPTIES PLEASE – We are still collecting used ink cartridges. Collection boxes can be found outside the offices at both Icknield and Wilbury schools.

REVIEW OF SPRING FUNDRAISING EVENTS

MASQUERADE DISCO AT WILBURY: Another near sell-out, raising £349. The theme this time was a “masquerade ball” and lots of the children got into the spirit and made some wonderful masks. A prize was given to the best girl and best boy mask. As per usual, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff and parent helpers, who are essential to running this event. There will be another disco in the summer term, so get your tickets early, as it is first come, first served!

ICKNIELD FILM NIGHT: This took place on Friday 31 January at Icknield School and we had over 90 children attend. The film was “The Croods” and all the children had a drink, popcorn and some sweets. This is a relatively new event for us and as it proved so popular, we are considering running another one in the summer term. We raised over £200.

ICKNIELD & WILBURY’S GOT TALENT: this event took place on Friday 28th March at Wilbury Junior School. We had a fabulous turn-out with 14 acts taking part and lots of friends and family in the audience to cheer them on. All participants received a certificate and got positive feedback from the judges (Mr. English and myself). Everyone had a great time and they were able to purchase a video clip of their own individual performance. We will definitely be doing this again next year!

SPRING CAKE SALE: Thanks once again for all your cake/cash donations – both cake sales were a sell out and we raised £57 at Wilbury and £126 at Icknield. Don’t worry if you forgot to bake any this time around as we will need your cake making skills again for the cake stall at the Fun Day.

BAGS TO SCHOOL: We raised an amazing £237 from the last drop-off, double what we have made in the past and hope to do the same again. As mentioned, the next “Bags to School” will be held on Friday 23 May 2014 – so start that spring clean now!.

EASTER COMPETITION: Mrs. Lall ran this wonderful “Decorate an Egg” competition and we had some very imaginative entries. The winning design belonged to Mia Evans (Y4) who took home the Easter egg prize, 2nd prize went to Aimee J (Y4) and 3rd prize went to Danny Hamlin (Y4) - all eggs were put on display in the foyer.

FAMILY PORTRAITS: We have decided to hold this event at Icknield School this year and it will take place on Sunday 11 May. Letters will be going out soon, so for just £10 you and your family can have professional photographs taken. Get in quick as there will only be a limited number of slots.

THE GIVING MACHINE: A reminder to use this website if you are doing your weekly shop or making any online purchases, as we can earn free money. Simply log onto [www.thegivingmachine.co.uk](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk), register as a Giver, select Icknield and/or Wilbury as your charities, and then click onto your shop and carry on with your online purchase. Shops include Amazon, Ebay, Tesco, Argos, Next and many more. Why not give it a try and let’s see how much we can raise.

DAYTIME MEETINGS – We are still holding “Friends” meetings during the day and would welcome any new recruits, especially in the lead up to the “Fun Day. Our next meeting is on Monday 28 April at 1:30pm – held at Icknield School. Also, please feel free to get in touch with feedback (positive or negative) on events we have run so far and/or suggestions for future fundraisers. You can leave a note at the office marked “Friends”, phone me or send an email to robandhelen.mcfarlane@ntlworld.com.

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