

F.O.B.S.

Friends of Bishopsteignton
School

Autumn Newsletter 2019



A very warm welcome to all the new families involved with the school and we do hope that your child(ren) have settled in well. Welcome to the FOBS Autumn newsletter. FOBS work really hard organising events through the year to supplement the school's income. Our fundraising is mainly used for all the 'extra's' that our children enjoy; from theatre trips, money for each class, leavers hoodies & books, cameras, extra equipment etc to helping towards the new hall floor. One of the things that our children are really enjoying at the moment (class by class) is Forest School. This is totally funded by FOBS and we've had fabulous feedback from children and parents and we will continue to fund this for the foreseeable future as it is a wonderful asset for the school. All money raised from our Bounce Off in May will go towards Forest School costs. We know it can feel a bit tedious being asked for donations and sponsorship several times a year, but as we're sure you are all aware, school funding has been cut and cut and without FOBS and all their hard work, our children and this school would be much worse off.

School Autumn Disco – Tuesday 29th October

- Fancy dress optional but no specific Halloween theme
- £1 entry fee
- 5-6pm KS1 and Reception
- 6.15-7.15pm KS2



There will be music and dances for both discos and some games for KS2 disco only. Pocket money items to purchase as well as a variety of snacks. No mobiles phones or heeled shoes. Entry through the library please and collection from hall fire exit doors.

Cake Days & Second-hand School Uniform Shop

What happens on cake days? If it's your child's class, we ask that you bring in some cakes on that day. Homemade are super appreciated but shop bought are fine too (we know that not everyone has time to bake!) Cakes are then sold after school in the playground (or hall if the weather is very bad) for 30p each. Our second-hand school uniform shop will be run alongside the cakes so you can replace those lost jumpers or grown out of clothes without much expense (and it's much better for the planet too!) So here are the all-important cake day dates...

18/10/19 Investigators

31/1/20 Discoverers

28/2/20 Voyagers

27/3/20 Pioneers

24/4/20 Inventors

22/5/20 Explorers

26/6/20 Adventurers



Christmas fayre Friday 6th December 5 - 7pm

There will be all the usual favourite stalls including Father Christmas's grotto, food, drinks and the school choir will open the fayre. If you can offer some help on the Friday donations days leading up to the fayre then please let a FOBS member know. Help on the day is also very much appreciated - it's a big event to organise and, as usual, we cannot run it without the help of parents on stalls, so please consider offering to man a stall for an hour. Donations for prizes are also very welcome. Toys, games, teddies, books etc in good condition and clean can also be donated in the run up to the fayre or brought in on the day. Entry to the fayre will be £1.50 per adult to include a drink and mince pie.

Donation Days

Fri 15/11 **Wrapped** sweets (please no unwrapped sweets for H&S reasons) – **non-uniform (as Children in Need!)**

Fri 22/11 Bottles (any bottles go, but alcohol always goes down well!) – **non-uniform**

Fri 29/11 Hamper items (anything you'd consider a treat, **but in date please**) - **non-uniform**

Fri 6/12 Investigators & Adventurers mince pies, rest of school bottles – **non-uniform**

£1 Christmas Shop (Bottom Drawer Shop)



Following on from a hugely successful event last year, the children LOVED it, we'll be running this again. Please hunt out any gifts that you don't want, suitable for mums, dads, brothers, sisters etc - those things you've had kicking around in your bottom drawer for ages – smellies, books, toys, games etc. Each child will be given the chance to select a maximum of two gifts at £1 each

which will be gift wrapped and labelled for them to bring home and surprise their chosen recipient(s) at Christmas (if they can wait that long!) Some choices last year were hilarious but all were really appreciated as they'd been carefully chosen by children. The hall is turned into one huge shop which each class gets to visit in turn. Not only is this loved by the children but it's a great way to repurpose those unwanted items!

Bags2 School

This has been booked for Friday 6th December. Please bring bags in by 9am. Bags and a letter will be sent home in November but please save those old clothes (NOT School uniform), paired shoes, hats, scarves, jewellery, socks, soft toys, household linen, curtains, towels, bedding & belts. ALL items MUST be good quality and suitable for RE-USE. We get paid by weight collected so do hold on to things and send them in on the 6th...thank you!

FOBS Committee

There are changes afoot for FOBS with some old faces leaving soon after years of contribution to FOBS. We already have some new faces on board but the more the merrier. If you'd like to get involved (and we'd love to see you) then just speak to a FOBS member or come along to a meeting...which leads neatly on to...

NEXT FOBS MEETING - TUESDAY 15th OCTOBER 2019 STRAIGHT AFTER SCHOOL - IN THE RAINBOW ROOM

VOLUNTEER



Your FOBS team are... Chair – George Norton, Vice-Chair – Stephanie Booker, Secretary – Tanzi Ridge, Treasurers – Ruth Patton & Karen Coburn, Newsletters – Vicki Gardner, Louis & Helen Hamston, Amy Edwards, Dave Killoran, Julia Fuell, Sharon Venning, Sheila Leyman, Kath Matthews, David Lamboll, Lucy Bishop, Rob Court, Bex Hooper, Annie Blanchette, Katie Gilkes, Emma Oakley & Anni Hill

