

Firstly, many thanks to all of those that attended or contributed in any way to last terms fundraising efforts. We have been thrilled with the involvement of all of the events; The Bags2School, Beetle Drive, Christmas Shop, School Nativity Plays & not forgetting the sell-out Christmas Disco, combined we managed to raise just over £1200! These events are genuinely a joint effort and as always 'many hands make light work' so **THANK YOU!!!**

So what will it be spent on? So far, money has been allocated to help subsidise school trips, to continue the schools Purple Mash & Education City Subscriptions and to fund an in school performance for creative week, all of which will benefit all of our children. Some of you may be aware that for a couple of years now there have been discussions around creating an outdoor classroom/wild space and we are now really pleased to announce that plans have been put together and work is due to start imminently . . .



**Wild Space** Forest school programmes are now a much valued teaching and learning environment. Forest School sessions are much enjoyed by children and are always child led to encourage curiosity, exploration, creativity and decision making skills but also follow a progressive program of learning. Once complete, regular visits to our forest area will encourage our children to develop independence, improve language and raise their self-esteem through small achievable tasks in what will be a fabulous woodland setting.

Plans have been drawn up and include frames to use in den building, outdoor classroom area, composting, bug hotels etc. Mr Armitage will be leading this project but may from time to time need some help with frame construction, planting, etc so please do look out for 'assistance required' shout outs! We will update you on progress as it develops and look forward the grand opening at the 'Little Folk Fest' on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

## Kirkroyds Friends Association



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## Dates for you diary:

9th Feb - Chocolate  
BINGO

9th March - Mothers  
Day gift

24th March - Spring  
Fair

27th April - Coffee  
Morning

12th May - Little Folk  
Fest

15th June - Fathers  
Day gift

6th July - Wimbledon  
Coffee Morning

13th July - End of  
Year DISCO

## Chocolate BINGO

BINGO just as you know it but playing for chocolate prizes.

Join us in the school hall on Friday  
9th February at 6 - 8pm.

Tickets are £3 each and include  
bingo cards, Hinchliffe's Pie n Peas  
and the chance to win lots of  
chocolatey prizes.

Advance tickets only.

Chocolate based donations are  
greatly received

## Mothers & Fathers Day's

To mark these special days & to celebrate motherhood, fatherhood, maternal & paternal bonds, all children will be given the opportunity to make a little gift to take home and give to a loved one. Further details will be sent home nearer the time but it is anticipated to take place w/c 5<sup>th</sup> March and cost just £1 each.



# SPRING Fair

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March.**

Face Painting, Hook a Duck, Pop-Up Café, Piggy Racing, Treasure Hunt, Tattoo Parlour, Raffle, Tombola's, Welly Wanging, Penalty Shoot Out . . . the list goes on!

However, this is a biggy, very simply we need your help. Whether that be baking, selling raffle tickets, getting raffle prizes, manning stalls or pouring drinks, any help/skills you can offer are key to this being a success . . . pretty, pretty please!

Further details will be sent out so watch this space & start saving those 20 pence pieces!



## Coffee Mornings

The Kirkoyds family love an excuse to eat cake so we have 2 Coffee Mornings coming up!

The first will be **Friday 27th April**, where we would be most appreciative of donations of buns, cakes & biscuits. In a nod to Wimbledon starting, the second will be held on **Friday 6th July** where we would appreciate donations of scones, jam, strawberries & cream . . . Yum!

Our coffee mornings are held in the school hall from 9am, set up for parents and people linked with the school to get together, chat and meet new people in a friendly environment. Following registration your child is welcome to join you; babies and toddlers are welcome to come along too.



## Little Folk Fest

The Folk Festival in Holmfirth has become such a popular event and inspired by the children's folk dancing efforts from last year, we have decided to put on a little fringe event on the morning of **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May starting at 10.30am**, hopefully, weather dependent, it will be outside. Please come down to school to watch the children dance, Tea & Bacon sandwiches will be available and we will have the grand opening of the Wild Space, giving both the children & parents the chance to take a good look around of what will no doubt be a great resource for the school. Please do come down to show your support.



## End of Year D.I.S.C.O

**Friday 13th July 5.30 - 7.30pm** at Wooldale Community Centre.

This will be a fantastic event for everyone to enjoy and a great opportunity not only to give our Year 2's a great send off before they head up to Junior School but also for both parents and children to socialise before the Summer break.

The finer details are yet to be finalised but we can confirm there will be a DJ, sweets, glow sticks, tattoo & beauty parlour and a licensed bar to provide beer & wine! As always these events can only run with the support of parents so if you are available to help out on the night please do get in touch.

Watch this space for ticket information.



**Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter, we very much look forward to seeing you at our events. Remember to get touch if you are willing to help in anyway!**