

July 2018

Summer newsletter

Key events of 2017/2018

- 3 Discos -
- Christmas fete
- 2 x film nights
- Easter Smarties challenge
- Pantomime
- Leavers Hoodies
- PA system
- Class donations of £100 per class
- Fancy dress for reception class
- Gazebos
- Christmas card projects
- Mothers' day and fathers' day workshops
- Summer fayre
- Part funding of the bike shed

Going forward

We would love to do more things that both benefit the children of Barby School, and also raise money for valuable resources. Any ideas welcome so please get in touch with your ideas!

Friends of Barby CE School

Formerly Barby PTA!

Firstly, many thanks to every single student and their families for making our school such a special one! Without the students we wouldn't have had such a successful year!

As the summer term comes to an end, the PTA would like to say thank you for supporting us. Our Aim is to support the school through fundraising events which provide the children of Barby school with fantastic opportunities, resources and happy memories. This year the Friends have raised in excess of £3400! We could raise even more with more support! Every penny raised is spent on the children and the school! Thank you for being part of it!



Upcoming in September 2018

- Pop up shop: shoes, trainers and coats- looking to clear your wardrobe out? Donate them to the pop up shop and look for the next size up! Friday 28th September (collections begin the week before).
- Film night –Could be Coco, could be Peter Rabbit... Thursday 20th September 3.15pm-5.30pm
- Welcome FOBS meeting – pop along to see what we do and have a cuppa -12th September 3.15pm-4.15pm All Welcome

Children working on their Fathers' Day crafts



A selection of cards from the Mothers' Day workshop



Leavers in their Hoodies



Georgie in Tudor dress up



We have had many successes this year: the children have enjoyed three disco evenings, dancing the night away and learning new moves- teachers and parents too! The Smarties 20p Challenge went down well over Easter and seeing how hard the children worked to get their 20ps was fantastic! We hope to do this again in 2019! The film nights have been good fun: the children have watched Paddington 2 and Captain Underpants- September 2018 will be our first one of the new year so watch out for the upcoming film. The workshops for mothers' day and fathers' day were a great way to see the children come together in their Houses and see how well they all worked together regardless of year groups.

What are we fundraising for?

There are some big projects that we are hoping to raise fund for: the school library and a Reflection Garden. We hope to support the complete renovation of the library with more accessible shelving and a brighter look. The children have expressed a desire for a quite area to sit outside, to chat and read. The school have allocated the area to the right of the green classrooms to be a reflection garden – hopefully with seating, planters and a canopy for some additional and much needed shade. We would love to support these projects as they will benefit every child in the school.

This is going to take lots of effort and time so we will need as much support as possible to make this happen. Support can be anything from baking a cake for an event, helping

Enjoying a disco!



with a stall at a fair or being able to access match funding for our money raising efforts! Do get involved where you can! As well as big projects we like to help out in the school with the smaller things that make a difference to the children- we have supplied the year 6 children with leavers hoodies for the past 2 years which have been well received. We have paid for a pantomime company to come and perform a Christmas play in the hall. The Friends have recently supplied money towards the new bike shed to keep bikes safe from the British elements!

We don't just fundraise for ourselves, at Christmas volunteers from the school join Santa on his journey through Barby alongside the Rotary club to raise money- this is always an exciting evening and lots of fun!

Who are the FOBS and how can I join?

The Friends of Barby School can be anyone! Parents, grandparents, caregivers or anyone with a link to the school. You!

Currently we have 6 members on FOBS, we are all parents of children within the school and we have a teacher link on board too. We meet once every half term- usually the 2nd Wednesday of each half term at 3.15 for one hour and our children are welcome to join the school film club whilst this meeting happens. We communicate by email, but over the summer holidays a social media page will be online – watch this space.

Please feel free to come to a meeting, or ask one of the current members about what we do and how you can help!

Finally, thank you once again for your continued support. Best wishes to the children of year six as they go into their secondary schools, we will know you will do well!
Everyone else... We look forward to seeing you in September!

Alison Smith- F.O.B.S Chairperson

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Claire I, Ally W, Michelle M, Debbie H & Liz C-S

