

FRIENDS Newsletter



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Sam and her team did an amazing job on the Christmas Bazaar and she would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who helped make the day such a success. We raised a record-breaking £4000 and could not have done this without all the fantastic support in attending, buying, baking, constructing, wrapping, donating, selling, decorating, making, crafting, cooking and generally being great!

If you have any feedback on the event that could help us improve next year, please let us know. What did you like, what should we change, what should we do more of? You can email any ideas to littlehadhampta@gmail.com.

PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

With many of the committee members having children in Year 6, there will be a few elf-related vacancies at next year's Bazaar! Elfridges (the 'secret room') will be closed for business in 2016 unless anyone would like to take this on. It may seem a long way away but it takes some forward planning as many of the gifts are purchased in the January sales. The Grotto is also looking for a new elf or two! Please let us know if you are feeling elfy!

WHAT IT'S ALL FOR

Key Stage 1 families who attended the nativity play will have seen the fantastic new stage lighting paid for by the FRIENDS. The children also enjoyed their annual trip to the pantomime on FRIENDS-funded coaches. There are many more things on Mrs Stockley's wish list for the year and we'll do our best to meet them all.

EVENTS COMING UP

We are planning a quiz night, book sale, golf day and possibly a retro disco or cheese and wine evening...watch this space! If you would like to help organise any of these events or have ideas for others, please let us know.

DOUBLE YOUR MONEY!

One parent has discovered that her employer, Deutsche Bank will match a substantial sum of our fundraising and it only needed one form filling in! If we find a few more people in this situation, we could double our already fantastic fundraising. Most banks, insurance companies, supermarkets, car manufacturers, utility providers and phone companies offer Match Funding to boost the fundraising activities of their staff. Please ask the question, it doesn't cost anything and could be a massive help.

100 CLUB

The Club works as a lottery, £1 per month to enter and one lucky person wins a cash prize every month. Pay each month by direct debit, pay once a year by cash or cheque, or termly...whatever you like! There are forms in the school office if you would like to join or speak to Sarah Gralton (Amelia and Joseph's mum) for more details.

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!

The FRIENDS committee would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and we look forward to happy 2016 at Little Hadham.

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