

CRESCENT COMMUNITY

News from Friends of the Crescent PTA



WOW! Hard to believe the 2015/2016 school year is coming to a close and summer holiday is so very near! We hope you have had a wonderful school year and are looking forward to summer break!

Friends of the Crescent have had a spectacular school year and we so very grateful to all the students, families and staff here at The Crescent Primary for all the amazing support! We held a record number of events this year: from old favourites such as discos, film nights and a Christmas Fair and the incredible Summer Picnic this past weekend, to the introduction of some new events like Fruity Friday, Christmas Card Sales and Class Bake Sales, which hopefully will continue next year and beyond! We hope everyone had the opportunity to enjoy one of our events this year! With each event, we see more new faces and we as a committee are always learning what is most popular and how to make it all run smoother!

Due to the massive success of all our events, we have been able to raise a stunning amount of funds for our school and children. Below is a complete breakdown of the money we have raised:

Film Nights-	£332.05
Spooky Disco-	£278.76
Fruit Friday-	£249.32
Other Playground Sells-	£284.35
Christmas Card Sales-	£919.72
Christmas Fair-	£772.51
Summer Picnic-	£1027.02
GRAND TOTAL:	£3863.73

These totals are above and beyond what we could've imagined and can only be attributed to the amazing support from all of YOU!



How We Spend Our Money

As you can see, we have raised a fantastic amount of money to be put back into our school in various ways. How we choose to use this money will be a combination of ideas and suggestions from Mr Heath and the staff, our PTA members and all the parents at The Crescent. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact us at friendsofthecrescent@gmail.com.

This school year we have used some of our earning to get the chicken coop up and running, as well as providing food and medical care for the chickens as needed. We also purchased all the equipment and insurance required for the Cricket course that was run by a fellow parent this past term and we hope to continue that into next year.

Moving forward, the school is looking to expand their selection of musical instruments and lessons for the students and the staff have asked if we would like to contribute towards those costs. The final decision is still being made as to what instruments they will be purchasing but we hope to know in the first few weeks of Autumn term so will keep everyone updated!

Class Bake Sales

One of our new events for this year was Class Bake Sales. Over the course of the year, each year group donated cakes and treats towards a bake sale, which the Friends ran. 100% of the money raised at these sales has been given directly to that year group to be spent on supplies and treats for those students. Total earnings from these sales are below:

Reception- £113.10

Year 1- £156.70

Year 2- £118.46

Year 3- £75.25

Year 4- £118.11

To date, most of that money has not been spent, and is still be held by the school Bursar, however it will be rolled over with that same group of students until next year. This way the students will still benefit from the money they raised even though they have moved up a year level.

We feel this event was a great success this year and will be continuing it next year.. hopefully with even greater earnings for everyone!

Join Us!

None of these events and fundraisers for the school can happen without the wonderful parent volunteers that organise and run them. As our school and events grow, we will need more helpers to continue doing good things for the school! If you would like to get involved, please contact us at friendsofthecrescent@gmail.com. No specific commitment is required and we really are a fun group!

Have a great summer holiday and see you next year!