

WE ARE 'REACHING HIGH'

Friends of Fairlands News

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

The Friends of Fairlands have been working hard already this year, recruiting new members, and planning the social events that will take us up to the summer holidays. We hope there will be something for everyone, however if there is an event you feel you would like to see included in the social calendar, do let us know and we'll look into it. So grab your diaries and make a note to invite your friends and family to come and join in the fun. We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Regards
Friends of Fairlands

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We're really pleased to say that our AGM in January was a huge success for attracting new members. It was great to see enthusiastic parents wanting to get involved in raising funds to benefit the children. For the following year the elected officers are:

Chairperson:	Max Franklin
Vice-chairperson:	Claire Muggleton
Treasurer:	Sue Walker
Secretary:	Sue Hurren

If you have any questions, suggestions or ideas for the Friends of Fairlands then please feel free to contact one of the above who will be more than happy to help.

MOTHERS DAY PRESENT ROOM

We don't want to spoil any surprises before Sunday so we'll just say that the present room was a success and we managed too raise approximately £70.

We hope all of the mums enjoy their goodies and get a well-deserved day off at the same time!

REFRESHMENTS AT PARENT TEACHER CONSULTATIONS

Don't forget to bring along your pennies to the parent teacher consultations on Monday March 3rd and Wednesday 5th March. There will be tea and coffee available for 30p and you get a free biscuit!

Please remember too, that if you have any ideas for future fundraising events then you can always talk to us one of these evenings.

CAR BOOT SALE

We hope you've been saving all of your "treasures" as the second car boot is almost here. It will be on Sunday March 9th from 11am until 1pm.

Spaces are available to any member of the public so start telling your friends and family. It costs £5 per pitch and admission to the car boot is 25p for adults and children enter for free.

There will be hot and cold refreshments and hot dogs on sale in the dining hall.

This time we will be having a "Friends of Fairlands" stall so if you are unable to have a stall of your own and have items you want to get rid of then please bring them to school and we will sell them. All proceeds from this stall will go directly to the Friends of Fairlands account.

BINGO NIGHT

We held our first bingo night in January and even though turnout wasn't quite what we wished for we managed to raise £100. Everyone who attended said they had a fantastic night and they are all looking forward to the next one. It was fun cash bingo and no one spent a lot of money but there were quite a few smiling faces on the way out - clutching their winnings of up to £40!

We will be holding another Fun Cash Bingo night on Friday 6th June. This time we will sell entrance tickets in advance which will also include a fish and chip supper.

EASTER DISCO

We will be having our Easter Disco on Monday 17th March (aka St. Patrick's Day). KS1 children will be able to come along from 5pm until 6pm and it will be open for KS2 children from 6.45pm until 8pm.

The cost will be £2 per child and drinks will be included. We will be selling tickets in advance the week commencing Monday 10th March. We will not be selling anything else at the event so please do not send your children in with any money.

Each child that has bought their ticket in advance will receive an Easter Egg to take home with them. You can still turn up on the evening and pay your entrance at the door however unfortunately we cannot guarantee an Easter Egg will be provided. Buying your ticket in advance will really help us to have an idea on numbers.

We look forward to another successful and fun Fairlands disco!

QUIZ NIGHT FRIDAY 25TH APRIL 7.30PM

After the huge success of the last quiz night we have decided to hold another one in the summer term.

We will have a maximum of 8 per team and the cost will be in the region of £6 per person. This cost will be confirmed as soon as possible. For this bargain price you will get a fish and chip supper and a fun-filled evening.

There will be refreshments on sale but you are more than welcome to bring along your own if you wish - alcohol included!

There's also a cash prize for the winning team so get revising now.

FATHERS DAY PRESENT ROOM

Basically this will run the same as the Mothers Day and Christmas present rooms. The date is still to be confirmed but is likely to be Tuesday June 10th but we will confirm this to you nearer the time.

FAMILY FUN DAY

This will be held on Sunday 13th July from 12pm to 2pm. Put this date in your diary now, as it will be a great day out for all with lots to do and see.

WHERE'S THE MONEY GONE?

Thanks to all of your hard work and support we have been able to buy the following over the last term and a half:

- Playground equipment for KS2 at lunchtimes
- Listening Posts
- Prizes for the Music competition
- Costumes for KS1 Christmas performances (just think...no more sewing angel wings for the parents or giving all of your tea-towels for shepherd's headdresses!). These costumes looked wonderful and are great for the long-term.
- Christmas lights for the halls in both buildings. The lights are a great long-term investment and really helped us celebrate Christmas in style last year.

So, a big thanks to you all! We will keep you updated in the next newsletter next term of future purchases.

DATES FOR FUNDRAISING 2008

Sunday 9 th March	Car Boot Sale
Monday 17 th March	Easter Disco
Friday 25 th April	Quiz Night
Sunday 18 th May	Car Boot Sale
Friday 6 th June	Fun Cash Bingo
Tuesday 10 th June	Fathers Day Present Room
Sunday 13 th July	Family Fun Day

