

Friends of Baydon School Newsletter



....Building for the Future

Late Spring 2009

WELCOME!

NEWS.....

Did You Know...?

...to the Friends of Baydon School Newsletter

In each issue you will see details of recent fund raising events, planned future events, and other useful information. Would you like to know more about the FoBS, or are perhaps interested in getting involved in future fund raising events or attending one of our informal meetings? If so, contact either Teresa Penny or Esther Barker - the joint chairwomen of FoBS, or just turn up at the next meeting. We try to vary the meeting times to make them accessible for as many as possible. **Involvement doesn't have to take up a lot of your time – and you might even have some fun along the way!** Some enthusiastic committee members have developed a varied social calendar for committee members, so why not come along and find out more...events range from drinks and meals out, to a fun night at the bingo!

NEXT MEETING:

**Thursday 23rd April,
7.45pm, at 1 Flintjack Place
Lambourn RG17 8NX.
Please contact Teresa or
Esther for more details.**

As reported in the newsletter earlier this month, the recent Bag2School collection made £307.20 for FoBS funds. A further collection has been booked for **23rd September**, so start sorting out those unwanted clothes, shoes and household linens, and let's see if we can beat our previous totals.

Thanks to a surge in late ticket sales and also to a fantastic number of parents offering their help for the evening, the School Spring disco went ahead. The children had a great time, and the event made £233 for the funds. A BIG thank you to Mr Chambers and Miss Uzzell who gave up their evenings to be our teacher representatives.

As you will already know, Mr Chambers has kindly agreed to a Non-Uniform day on Friday 27th March, in return for a chocolate contribution for the Easter Chocolate Tombola. Please hand your contributions to any of the Friends committee on that morning, so that they can get busy attaching raffle tickets for the event.

- that water bottles, tops and school bags can be purchased through the FoBS? Prices are:

Water Bottles	£1.50
Water Tops	£0.50
School Bags	£7.00

Second hand school uniform is also available. If you are looking for a particular item, contact Teresa on 01488 648007. A table top sale of all these items will be held on **1st April** at the School.

- that the Friends have been so busy organising fun events for you and the children, that the essential **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY** section has got so long that it is now on page 2 of the newsletter.....keep reading to find out what needs to be marked on your calendars now...



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DATES for your DIARY

Your Help is Needed...

As you will see below, the FoBS and the School fund raising committee have been busy planning lots of events. Here is a taste of some forthcoming dates for your diary....

A few spaces are still available at the first major event organised by the Fund raising Committee – the **Quiz Evening** takes place on **Friday 27th March** in the School Hall. It promises to be lots of fun, and you could even win a cash prize! Contact Bryan Harber on 01672 541267 to make sure that you don't miss out.

Does your car need a good spring clean? If so, make your way to the school playground on **Saturday 25th April**, between 9am and 5pm, and have your car spruced up ready for the summer. While you are there, support the FoBS by buying refreshments. Also, from 11am, try your hand at ceramics painting, and decorate a personal gift for someone special. All in aid of the School building fund.

Easter Chocolate Tombola

The annual Easter chocolate tombola will take place after school on **Wednesday April 1st**...but this year with some added fun. Not only will the children have the opportunity to win an egg on

the tombola, but there will be a couple of other fun events to involve the children in the fund raising.....including.....

Trail of Pennies - Wednesday April 1st.

Save your pennies! Make a Snake! Guess the length! We want to see how many pennies we can join together to make a long snake around the playground! If the weather is against us, we will make a snake in the Hall...Volunteers needed to measure our snake – all pennies will then be contributed to the building fund. Just to show – every penny will count...

Roll Up!! Roll Up!! Make a date in your diary for **Friday May 1st**. The School will host another **May Fayre** in the afternoon. You will be treated to some wonderful displays of talent by the children, who will also then have the opportunity to try their hand at a few events. We are still frantically planning this event, so if you would like to offer some suggestions or can spare a couple of hours in the afternoon, please come along to our next meeting and get involved.

Without your generosity, none of these events would take place. If you can help in any way with any of the following, please contact any FoBS committee member:

Easter Chocolate Tombola - Wednesday April 1st.

This is always a popular after school event. Whilst some Committee members have volunteered to cover the event, a couple more volunteers to help with managing the tombola or helping with the Trail of Pennies would make the afternoon run even more smoothly. Contact Teresa or Esther if you could spare an hour that afternoon.

May Fayre – Friday May 1st.

This is an afternoon event, which Mr Chambers kindly helps us to make happen. If you have ideas for a stall or can offer some time during the afternoon, we would be very grateful. For all you bakers out there – donations of cakes would be much appreciated for the May Fayre, so that we can provide refreshments during the afternoon. Any contributions should be handed in to Teresa or Esther on the morning of the Fayre if possible.

We are also planning to again have a second-hand bookstall, this year for children's books, so hunt out your unwanted books!