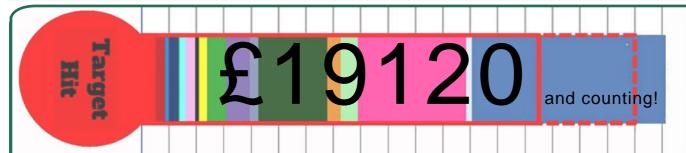


Newsletter

May 2016



Dear FOCCS Members,

Congratulations everyone - we did it! We've smashed our fundraising target - £19120 raised so far this academic year for the school.

But we don't need to stop there! Please support the remaining events that we have planned for the year. The Quiz night on Friday 10th June promises to be a fantastic evening and the money raised will fund the Year 6 Yearbook. On Friday 15th July we have discos planned for both KS1 and KS2 in the Berryfield Hall, which are always a lovely end of year treat.

Our May Fayre was once again a huge success. The rainy weather didn't dampen spirits and we still raised an outstanding £7100 for the school. Thank you to everyone who helped with the organisation or came and ran a stall.

This money has been ring-fenced for the school to spend on IT and we heard at the last FOCCS meeting that they are considering using it to buy some additional tablets for the classrooms.

At our May Open Meeting we considered a few different requests to spend, details of which are below. Remember that anyone can put in a request to spend, so if there is something that you would like to see FOCCS support then please do get in touch with us.

Our final FOCCS open meeting of the academic year is on Tuesday 5th July at 8pm in the Learning Lodge. We look forward to seeing you there.

The FOCCS Committee

Requests to Spend

At our May open meeting the following requests to spend were discussed:

- ~ £100 towards Foundation musical costs. APPROVED!
- ~ Book Drive 2016/17 decision deferred to next meeting to allow school to gain a better understanding of the amount they would like to request for each year group.
- ~ £1000 ring-fenced to subsidise transport to sport and cultural events. Agreed on the understanding that the money should be used to support a range of activities. Each request to spend will be individually considered.
- ~ £200 towards Emotional literacy resources to be spent on resource boxes which parents can take home to use. APPROVED!

Spending Update

FOCCS provided £800 towards replacing the ageing mosaic located outside Mr Baker's office. Years 2, 4 and 6 worked with a local artist to make this wonderful piece of art.

Mrs Steggall said

"It was a lovely week; the children really enjoyed working with the artist and the end result is beautiful."

The funding was agreed on the understanding that the remaining year groups take part in a similar project next year so we are looking forward to seeing their creation too!



Dates for your Diary

Fri 10th Jun

Quiz Night

Tues 5th July

Open Meeting

Fri 15th July

School Discos

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 10th June

Open door 7.30 - Quiz starts 8.00 Licensed bar and refreshments

£5 per person -maximum team size of 6

2nd Hand Uniform Sales



The Great FOCCS Fundometer May Fayre 2015-16 ■ Easter Eog Hunt What we've agreed to fund £20.000 Total: £19,131 £19,000 £18,000 Quiz £17,000 IT, £7000 ■ Employer Matched Funding £16,000 £15,000 ■ Christmas Favre £14,000 Original Ta £14500 £13.000 ■ The Great Book Off £12.000 BookDrive, £2000 £11,000 ■ Christmas Cards Art Project, £1200 £10,000 ■ Pantomime World Book Day, £800 £9,000 Life Bus, £1500 £8.000 School Discos £7,000 STEM Week, £1500 £6,000 ■ Saturday Film Club £5,000 St Laurence Street Party £4.000 £3,000 £2,000 Lunchtime Sports Clubs, £3000 £1.000 Regular Giving Donations ■ easyfund raising Target Hit! ■ Name Labels ■ Textile Recycling: RagBag ■ Textile Recycling:

Cake Days!

In your questionnaire responses you asked for more transparency on how cake day funds are spent. At the beginning of every term Paula, our Treasurer, is now providing all class contacts with their cake day statements to forward on to you.

On these statements you can see how much has been raised by your year group, what it is being spent on and how much is left. If you haven't seen yours then get in touch with your class contact.

Remember - any money left at the end of the year moves on with the children to their new year group.

Here are some of the things which have been purchased this year!





Supporting Us

There are lots of different ways you can support FOCCS and you could begin today! Here are just a few - please get in touch if you want more information!







Grab yourself a bargain at our secondhand uniform sales.

We have a huge selection of good quality secondhand uniform available.

Logo uniform £2 per item

Non-logo items 20p per item

Christ Church Fleeces £4 each





Our RagBag bin will be at the Berryfield entrance all summer if you want to recycle any old clothes and raise money for FOCCS at the same time!



Keep an eye on our Facebook page to hear the latest FOCCS news! It's the first place to hear about our successes, keep track of our fundraising and find out how our money's being spent. Also to hear about our initiatives with local and national businesses.

Contact: foccschair@gmail.com