

# Fishergate Primary School Summer Newsletter 2023

Just a brief update for the end of term. Firstly we really would like to thank you all for being so amazing this year and for supporting the fund raising events that have taken place. None of this could have happened without you all taking part in the ways that you have. Thank you so much for making our school community such a wonderful one!

Increasing costs are all around us and School costs are no exception to this. As the school budgets see no significant increases either, it means the extra money from the fundraising by Friends of Fishergate School to support the childrens' learning experiences in our school is essential.

Here are some of the things made possible in 2022/23 by our collective fundraising and there are more in the pipeline:

- Coach travel costs for all the EY, KS1 & KS2 class end of year trips.
- Coach Travel costs to Year 5/6 Robinwood Residential
- Author visit from Faye Stevens across the whole school.
- Author visit from Rab Ferguson to year 3/4 and signed books to all children (using their cake sale money).
- Ice Cream Van treat for all the children as a celebration of a successful Ofstead inspection.
- The provision of ice pops during hot weather and for sports day.
- Board Games
- Year 6 Leavers Treat - Bowling trip.

## Dates for your Diary

September, Thursday 14th

**Friends of Fishergate School meeting and AGM** 9am. Location to be confirmed at the start of term. Open to all.

October, Thursday 12th

**Speed Quiz & Curry Night**, Upper School hall. Further details & tickets available at the start of next term.

October, Friday 21st

**Halloween Disco.**

EY/KS1 6pm-7pm,

KS2 7.15pm-8.15pm

## Cake Sale - Scores On the Doors

The cake sales have been very well supported this year, raising a terrific £1,912.99. We have had a dedicated team of helpers who commit to making this happen every week, generous and plentiful donations of tasty treats and a very eager customer base. Fantastic efforts all round!

<b>Y5/6</b>	<b>£420.68</b>
<b>Y3/4</b>	<b>£599.75</b>
<b>Y1/2</b>	<b>£492.48</b>
<b>EYU</b>	<b>£400.08</b>

The events listed below have raised an outstanding £5,876.01 in 2022/23. Besides Fundraising, many of these events are key social gatherings where the whole school can come together and have some fun. It brings the children, parents, carers, siblings and extended family the opportunity to meet, chat and start building relationships that mesh our community.

Halloween Disco & Pumpkin Parade	<b>£185.74</b>
Y6 Hoodies	<b>£356.64</b>
Christmas Cards	<b>£225.50</b>
Christmas Fair	<b>£1,476.46</b>
Christmas Shop	<b>£895.21</b>
Uniform Sales	<b>£145.60</b>
Spring Disco	<b>£153.21</b>
Plant Sale	<b>£56.80</b>
Summer Fair	<b>£2,345.14</b>
Frozen Friday	<b>£35.71</b>

In addition to our calendar events, there are a number of ways you can support Friends of Fishergate School.

1. Any donations made to the school will earn Gift Aid if you fill out the form along with your donation.

You can find out more here:

<https://www.fishergateschool.com/information-for-parents-and-carers/friends-of-fishergate/fundraisin-g-hub>

2. There are a huge number of popular high street names, brands and services working with **Easy Fundraising.com** It is very simple to sign up, so that you can simply generate funds for Friends of Fishergate as you make purchases online.

Learn more about it here:

[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/?efr\\_source=website&efr\\_medium=easyfundraising&efr\\_campaign=header-navigation](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/how-it-works/?efr_source=website&efr_medium=easyfundraising&efr_campaign=header-navigation)

**TIP:** Follow the instructions to activate the browser extension - this activates a Donation Reminder on your screen when associated websites are visited before orders are placed. Easy Fundraising will send their donation directly to your chosen cause (hopefully our school!)

3. Uniform & Lost property. Labelling your child's school uniform and belongings at the start of the school year is the best way to keep track of your children's clothing. Fishergate School is registered with a number of label companies that donate back to the school when you order name labels. Choose a style and a price that suits you.

More details about labels can be found here

<https://www.fishergateschool.com/information-for-parents-and-carers/friends-of-fishergate/fundraisin-g-hub>

**TIP:** When ordering name labels ensure you use the unique school ID code, to ensure that all donations are raised for our school.

On that note if you have any out-grown school uniform that is still in *good clean condition*, please consider handing it back to school for redistribution via our Pre-loved uniform sales held

each term. Especially any year 6 uniform that will no longer be put to use.

If you are looking for any particular garments, sizes etc, drop a message to the school office with your requirements and we can check the stock.

### **Friends AGM**

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September and is open to everyone who has children at our school. As well as planning the year, we will need to ensure all positions are suitably fulfilled to maintain our charitable status & constitution; be given an overview of our financial standing and will be welcoming any new members into the planning and discussion. If you are even slightly curious, come along and join us!!

As families leave and move on from our school each year, roles within Friends of Fishergate need to be filled and it relies on parents and carers stepping up. Friends meetings are open to all. Helpers, even if only occasionally, are always needed and very much welcomed!

If you think you would like to get involved in some of the Friends activities and events, send us an email on [friendsoffishergateschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoffishergateschool@gmail.com) so we can be included on the mailing list and we keep you in the loop.

We would like to finally say thank you to all the *Teachers, Teaching Assistants and Supporting Staff at Fishergate*. They are a fantastic team and we are very lucky to be working alongside them all. They work very hard to be the best and give it their all so our children can flourish whilst in their care. They continuously express their gratitude for the work and support Friends provide in the school and we look forward to continually working with them in the forthcoming years.

Thank you for taking the time to read this far, you are THE BEST!!

Here's wishing everyone a very restful and enjoyable summer.

Friends of Fishergate.

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