



Friends of Lavant Primary School

West Stoke Road
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Wednesday 1st March 2017

Dear Parents

Well it's been a quiet start to the Spring Term for the Friends with just the one event, the Valentines Cake sale. Although I wasn't present (for the first time ever), I understand from Claire that this was another great success, and the cakes looked amazing. Thank you to all who donated for this event, and to the new helpers who came along to assist.

Here is a rundown of events for the rest of this term:

Saturday 11th March, 10.00 - 11.30am Jumble Sale (see attached flyer)

This is hugely popular with the regulars queuing outside the doors from 8.00am! We will be recruiting volunteers both for setting up on Friday, which will be after school from 3.15pm this time due to GLO, and for the actual event on Saturday from 9.00am.

There is always a diamond in the rough to be found that we usually pull from the sale before it begins to sell on eBay. We still have a couple of items from the last jumble sale to sell via eBay. Any parent out there who would be willing to do this on our behalf, please do get in touch with me.

We are also collecting school uniform, which still has lots of life left in it, to run a Second Hand Uniform sale once again. This date will be advised once we have 'stock'.

Friday 24th March, during the school day Mother's Day Sale

The children enjoy the opportunity to buy their mums, grandmas, aunties etc. a little present to show how much they love them. The Friends supply a range of goods from 50p to £3.50. The stall is then opened up to the parents after school, to make any extra purchases.

Friday 31st March, 3.15-4pm Film Night for KS1 ONLY

We shall be showing a short film for the keystage one children. A film has not yet been chosen, so will be advised at a later date. We do ask that parents of Reception children stay. Again we shall be recruiting volunteers.

Saturday 1st April, 9-12.30pm Spring Grounds Clearing

Organised by Mr. King with his (long) list always makes for a great fun and productive morning. The Friends are on hand to supply the cups of tea and bacon sandwich for the hard workers. If you can only spare an hour, that is very much appreciated too.



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You may have noticed this week, that the surrounding wooded boundary to the staff car park has been cleared during the half term. BIG THANK YOU to Claire & Garnet for their hard work, and numerous trips to the tip. We hope to clear the other side of the fence, along the roadside to open it up completely, as it seems to have become a dumping ground for rubbish from the passing public. Eventually grassing it over and planting more spring bulbs.

Thursday 6th April, 3.-4pm Easter Cake Sale

Again, we shall be asking the Mary Berry's of Lavant to bake up some fabulous Easter cakes to donate to the cause. Don't panic if you can't bake (like myself), or don't have the time, shop brought cakes are just as welcome too.

Friday 7th April during the school day Easter Egg Hunt

Every year the Friends buy each child in the school an Easter Egg to take home. The children hunt around the school field finding their name or a picture of an egg. Don't worry we always make it easier for the little ones.

EASTER COMPETITION (see attached flyer)

This year we are introducing an Easter Competition. The children can choose to make either an Easter Garden (seed trays can be provided from 27th March via the school office) or an Easter Bonnet. All entries must be brought into school from Monday 3rd April for display in the school library. Prizes will be rewarded on Friday 7th April. Afterwards they will be taken over to St. Nicholas Church for display for our school Easter Service and over the Easter period.

And that concludes our events for this term.... Phew!

I again stress why now more than ever, 'The Friends' are needed to support our school, and are in need of new parents to come on board. With school budgets tightly squeezed, our help and fundraising is vital to enhance and enrich our children's time at school. If you are available to help at any of our events, please do let me know.

Don't forget we also have our Friends Facebook group...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/573263536101514/>

Thank You in Advance

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