



FRIENDS OF LAVANT PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS 2020 NEWSLETTER



Welcome from The Friends!

Hello and welcome to this first edition of the Friends of Lavant Primary School newsletter!

Our hope is to give you, the parents and carers of the children of the school, an overview of our fundraising activities during the academic year, and to let you all know how the money that you've helped raise, is being spent!

*Sadly, but not unsurprisingly, our fundraising activities for the Autumn/Winter term were nearly all cancelled, including our Christmas disco, cake sale and much loved Christmas Fair (which alone would usually raise between **£3k and £4k!**) Although most events have been halted, the need to fundraise for our lovely school has become no less important, and so we were really pleased that we were able to go ahead with our raffle as a virtual event! More information overleaf!*



What's going on?

*This week we have sent home copies of the **Big Christmas Quiz**, which as well as being a bit of fun over Christmas, you could be in for a chance of winning a food and drink hamper. If you'd like to enter, please return completed quiz sheets and £3 to reception by Friday 15th Jan! A big thank you to Mrs Upjohn for writing the quiz.*

*Are you a member of our **100 club**? To be in with a chance of winning a cash amount each month, do check out the Friends section of the school website or our Facebook page for details on how to sign up! Please also continue to check out our Facebook page for news and reminders about upcoming events!*

Fundraising targets

*Our main target this year is to raise money for new laptops to replace the existing ones which are now getting old and slow. Our initial target is to raise **£5000!** The school library is also in need of new books... thanks to the many parents who have already donated books from the school Amazon wish list!*





What the money has been spent on!

In November, each class was given **£250** towards resources for their classrooms. This money is spent on essential items such as stationary, resources for learning journeys, cooking ingredients, science experiments and anything else to help enhance the children's learning!

In October we held our annual Grounds Tidy Day and The Friend's funded Robin's new outdoor stage, in addition to plants and flowers for the beds, materials to mend Wren's playhouse roof and gate, tins of paint, and 2 tons of woodchip to smarten up the grounds. It was a fantastic team effort with so many of you joining in.

It also won't have gone unnoticed (particularly by the children!) that last summer, we finally reached our target to fund new outside play equipment. A massive thank you to Co-op who donated a whopping **£5000** to help us reach our target of **£10,000**. Still, this would not have been possible without your continued support and generosity, thank you.

Wishing everyone a very

Happy and Healthy

Christmas!



What we've raised!

Despite the disruption of Covid, we've still managed to raise **£1135** so far this academic year. Thanks to you all for your generosity on the 2 donation days! You all sold a record number of raffle tickets this year and we smashed our **£1000** target!

Our Easyfundraising/AmazonSmile accounts continue to raise money, as does our textile bank outside school which is now emptied weekly! Do keep filling it up! We are also so fortunate to be Co-op's charity of the year which means that every penny that goes into their charity boxes, goes to the school!

For information on how to raise money for the school through Easyfundraising and AmazonSmile (at no extra cost to yourself), please check out our Facebook page, search for 'Friends of Lavant Primary School.'



Christmas raffle	£1021
Christmas cards/mugs	£114
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Textile bank (to date)	£121
Easyfundraising (to date)	£235
AmazonSmile (to date)	£57
Co-op charity box (to date)	£400