

## FRIENDS OF LAVANT PRIMARY SCHOOL EASTER 2021 NEWSLETTER



## Welcome from The Friends!

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

Sadly we still haven't been able to do any of our usual fundraising events this term. For those parents who were new to the school in September, we would usually have had a Mothers Day gift sale, jumble sale, and we also would have joined in the annual Lavant Duck Race which we would have provided refreshments for at the end. Altogether, these events would have raised over £1000. This is a big loss and we'll need to find ways to make up this amount when restrictions are lifted and we're able to hold our events again.

Still, there are a few ways we can help raise funds for our lovely school.... keep reading...!.

#### Fundraising targets

Our main target this year is to continue 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! Every time you use our textile bank, shop through AmazonSmile or EasyFundraising, you are helping to get a step closer to new laptops to benefit all of our children.

### amazonsmile



easyfundraising



## How to fundraise in these difficult times

With events not able to go ahead at the moment, we are completely dependent on the revenue from our **Textile bin**, **Easyfundraising**, **AmazonSmile** and the **100 club**.

Are you a member of the 100 club, or would you like to be? To be in with the chance of winning a cash amount each month, check out how it works on the following page!

Do you shop online? If so, did you know that if you start your purchase at Easyfundraising.com and select Friends of Lavant Primary School as your charity, a percentage of your shopping will be donated to the school. This is a great way of raising money at no cost to yourself! Similarly, adding AmazonSmile to your Amazon app will donate a portion of your purchase every time!

Please continue to put clothes and shoes of any condition into the textile bank outside school, and spread the word in the village! It is now emptied weekly, so shouldn't be overflowing so often now!



# What the money YOU rasied has been spent on!

The school took delivery of a sparkly new interactive whiteboard during February! This was fully funded by The Friends and replaced the very old whiteboard which was in Wren's classroom. This is a crucial piece of kit for the classroom and it wouldn't have been possible without your continued support!

### What we've rasied

Where there's a will, there is a way! We have still managed to raise some money through the following avenues!



## Have you joined our facebook page?

Our Facebook page is a great source of for forthcoming information events. meetings and dates. If you haven't already joined, please do, just search for Friends of Lavant Primary School, and request to join. You will need to just mention who's parent or carer you are to ensure only people with a connection to the school join up! Please do post any questions about the textile bin or any issues having with you areEasyfundraising or Amazon Smile, and we will try and help!



As we are all doing our shopping online during lockdown, a really simple and FREE way to support us during this difficult time is to sign up to <u>#easyfundraising</u>. Every time you do your online shopping via easyfundraising, retailers donate money to the school, and it's

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**Wishing everyone a very Happy Easter!** Don't forget to check out the 100 Club on the following page!





## A bit like a lottery but with significantly better odds! Welcome to our 100 CLUB!

Here's how it works...

- You complete and sign the attached membership form and set up a standing order either on-line or in your branch for £5 a month or £60 annually.
- This buys you one membership number which we will allocate, and this enters you into the monthly draw. 100 membership numbers are available (hence the name). You can buy up to 2 memberships per household. All participants must be over 16.
- The draw will take place on the last Friday of each month at 8.45am, if for any reason this cannot happen (school holidays or Inset day) you will be informed of the new date.
- If you win, an online payment will be made to the account details you provide on your membership form. Winners will be published on the schools website in the Friends section and on the Friends page on Facebook.
- The prize money will be half of the membership fee taken that month. The remaining half goes to the school to help fund equipment, resources and opportunities for the children. If there are 100 members the prizes would be 1st prize £125.00 (50% of the prize money), 2nd prize £75.00 (30% of the prize money), 3rd prize £50.00 (20% of the prize money). If we don't have 100 members then the prizes will be less.
- To become a member of the 100 Club you must be a current parent, family or friend/guardian/carer/governor/a member of the friends committee or a member of staff.
- There are only 100 memberships, it is on a first come first basis, so if you are interested please complete the attached membership form and set up a standing order, payments must be received by the 15th of the month to be entered into the draw.
  - If we do have more than 100 apply there will be a waiting list.

If you have any questions please see me or email Kathy Fletcher: friendstreasurer@lavant.w-sussex.sch.uk

Thank you for your support during these difficult times!!!