

We are a little over 7 weeks away from the biggest fundraising event we hold each year, The Christmas Fair!

This one event, apart from being a brilliant afternoon out, raises between £2000 and £3000 for us to give back to the school to give our children the extras that aren't provided for within government budgets. This September we have given each class £500 to enable the class teachers to buy those exciting extras: books, cooking ingredients, special art materials and subsidise trips to support the wonderful learning journeys.

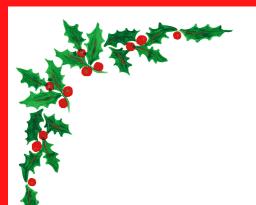
Our Christmas Fair this year will be held on Saturday 3rd December between 1pm and 3pm and we are going to do things a little bit differently this year!

The Friends Committee will have enough people to be able to organise and run the bigger elements of the Fair: the café, the Grand Raffle, Santa's Grotto and the wonderful Christmas Crafts and Gifts. And we would like to ask you for your support in really making this a whole school event by taking on a class challenge!

This year we are asking the children and their parents to organise the activities in their classroom: Planning and collecting resources, setting up (and clearing down) the activity and crewing the activity for the afternoon.

Our suggestions & room allocations for each class are on the following pages and we encourage you to make it as amazing as you can!

This is such an exciting opportunity for us all to come together, enjoy the fun and games, watch the children's excitement at visiting Santa, buying some Christmas gifts, and having a lovely, mulled wine or cup of tea and a mince pie!







We won't be able to do this without your support, the committee is small, and we simply cannot split ourselves into enough pieces to make the whole thing as magical as we know it can be.

Please can we ask that you have a chat with your fellow class parents and let us know what you have decided to do via the Friends email: friends@lavant.w-sussex.sch.uk, or if you would like any support, ideas or help.

Please also ensure any expenditure is agreed by our treasurer, Lorraine, before it is made: treasurer@lavant.w-sussex.sch.uk (if you are able to pull in any favours or resources without accruing any costs – better still!)

Many thanks in advance for your support – we know we will all pull together for an exciting and fun afternoon that will ultimately raise lots of money to give back to the school and our children!

Kind regards,

Friends of Lavant Primary School





WREN CLASSROOM/WREN PARENTS:

Arts and Crafts for the children to make in exchange for a small fee. E.g., cards, tree ornaments, small gifts, decorated biscuits etc.

You will need to decide what you will be making, about 3-4 options, what resources you will require (can you call in favours, raid your own craft stash to keep the costs as low as possible) and decide how much you will charge (50p-£1.50 suggested cost.)

ROBIN CLASSROOM/ROBIN PARENTS

Games: Suggested games could be - Nerf Gun Alley, Pin the nose on Rudolf, snowball in a bucket (or snowman with holes) a target game - or anything else you can think of - the limit is your collective imaginations!

Mrs Jenkinson has volunteered to organise a Christmas Tree game where a numbered bauble allows the child to break one rule on the Monday following the Fair. Again, do keep an eye on the costs of what you might need to spend and what you will be able to charge.

WOODPECKER CLASSROOM/WOODPECKER PARENTS:

The Tombola Room: These are always VERY popular. The non-school Uniform giving days provide lots of the prizes, but they still take a fair bit of organising, sorting through and labelling with raffle tickets. There is usually a toy tombola, bottle tombola and sweets tombola, and a 'Everyone's a winner' tombola.' Can you think of anything new and exciting?

PHEASANT CLASSROOM/PHEASANT PARENTS:

Mini-disco and the traditional painted nails and tattoos. Can you borrow a Karaoke machine? Know anyone with a set of flashing lights? Sell glow sticks etc. The Friends have a stash of tattoos, nail varnish, glitter & face paints for you to look through. Is there anything else you can think of to include?

Don't forget that the aim is to not only have lots of fun but raise money for our school at the same time! We can't wait to see what you come up with!