



PLEASE READ - WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR MONEY

FoSS (Friends of Seend School) has now been running in its current form for two years. We have an AMAZING committee, all of whom are dedicated, supportive and hard-working, and we have regular help from a few invaluable people outside the Committee. Thank you...

We are very proud of what we have achieved in the last two years. We have organised two Christmas fayres, four discos, a quiz night, Sports Day refreshments, cream teas at Seend Fete, the raffles at the pantomime, and the Easter scavenger hunt. We also have the Royal Tea Party coming up on 12th June. (Have you bought your tickets yet?!?)

To date, we have raised more than £5200, all of which has been spent for the benefit of the School and its pupils.

Amongst the items we have funded are: 7 ipads, Christmas crackers for the Christmas dinner each year, a new portable PA system, new Starred Learner trophies, an annual First News subscription for Sycamore Class, two netball rings, netballs skorts for the team, musical instruments and equipment, all the building materials for Holly's outside area, new equipment for Oak's outside area, a freezer for science experiments, an author visit for the day and the Circus workshop. We also have funds in the bank which are ear-marked for the new path around the School field.

Our simple aim is to raise money to enable the School to buy the things that the ever-stretched School budget just doesn't allow. We work very closely with Mrs Chalk and Mrs Coleman; we raise the money and the School decides what it needs to be spent on, with approval on all decisions at FoSS Committee level.

FoSS needs YOU!!

In order for FoSS to continue with its efforts and to raise more money for your children's benefit, we do need more help. We don't particularly need more Committee members, although anyone who is interested will of course be welcomed with open arms! What we really need from you as parents/grandparents/carers/friends of children at Seend School is... **practical help at the events we organise and for you to support those events.** That's it. Easy!

When Mrs Chalk was asked for her thoughts on FOSS this is what she said: "The school are deeply indebted to the very hard work, commitment and support of the fundraising committee. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes and this work often falls on the shoulders of the same few (who also have families and paid jobs to keep them busy!) so their contribution to fundraising is by no means a minor achievement. Any help, in the form of practical and positive support, is always welcome, even as a one off towards a particular event. If you have some good ideas that you are willing to follow through to planning stage then please come forward."

If you think you have ANY skills which could be useful, if you have any spare time to help with an event, if you would like to be added to the list of "FoSS Helpers" (we email out requests for help), if you have any fundraising ideas, or if you would like to join the Committee, PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE contact Mel Steel (melaniesteel@btinternet.com), Victoria Bowes (victoria@boweswine.co.uk), Mrs Chalk or Mrs Gray in the School Office. Alternatively, please talk to your class rep: Jenna Crossman (Holly), Justine Cooper (Oak), Sue Hale (Chestnut), Sonja Nichols (Sycamore).

THANK YOU...

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