The FenHil News

'Respect, Honesty, Kindness and Collaboration'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

PTA news

It was lovely to see so many children enjoying the discos last week. And we raised £457, so a fantastic start to our year's fundraising.

It was also great so see so many bags outside the school yesterday for our Bag2School collection. This is a really easy way to raise money, and we'll let you know the total when we get it.

PTA held its AGM last week and *officially* started work for the year! However, people are welcome to join us at any point. So, if you think you could get involved, drop us a line at fhpspta@gmail.com or catch one of us on the school run for more info.

PTA also want to thank to everyone who has stood down from the committee this year for their hard work, with a special mention to our outgoing Secretary for all her efforts and support.

Finally, a save the date... This year, our Christmas Fayre will be held on a **Saturday (7th December)**. The village will be in festive mood after the lights switch on the previous evening and we hope that lots of people outside of school will drop in to share the festive fun with us. Spread the word!

To run the Fayre though, we'll need your help, so if you can spare an hour to help set up in the morning or run a stall in the afternoon, please let us know and make sure the date is in your diary. A little time makes the world of difference.

Diary dates:

- Friday, 8th November: KS2 movie night (R+KS1 will be in Spring term)
- Saturday, 7th December: Christmas Fayre, 2–4 pm

No Smoking! (or dogs or bikes)

A friendly reminder that smoking (including vaping) is banned on school site. This also goes for dogs.

If your child, including younger siblings bike or scoot to school — that is great, but please dismount before entering the green gate.

Love in a Box

This wonderful initiative, led by Mrs Carminati and Mrs Stimpson from the village has fallen on hard times this year I am afraid. Last year we were able to gather enough donations to fill 95 boxes. However, sadly it is looking much bleaker this year. These boxes travel to Eastern European orphanages to ensure that children have something to open on Christmas morning.

Here is a list of items you could donate, anything you can will be very gratefully received.

Boxes – Size 4 and upwards, with separate lids if possible (the top and base need to be wrapped separately so the lid can be removed for packing/security checks etc.) prewrapped would be a huge help!

Essentials - Soap, facecloths, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrush and comb

Stationary - Pencil case, notepad, crayons, pens, pencils, sharpeners, rubber and stencil/ruler

Sweets – A small bag of sweets, or a bag or lollies, although not chocolate

A Toy – Small games, small cars, tennis balls, cards, spinners, bubbles or perhaps a little recorder, necklaces, bracelets

A small cuddly toy – small cuddly toys, knitted puppets which are especially rare, but loved

Money - £3 for petrol per box. Local volunteers drive the rented vans over personally

Hat and scarf, gloves

Clean up Morning

Thank you so much to everyone who came along to this event. It was fantastic to see so many families and staff and has made a real difference to the school grounds.

Midday Supervisor

Do you enjoy working with children and being outside? Do you enjoy encouraging young minds to enjoy their food and the social experience of eating a meal together? We have the role for you! Please contact the office if you would like to join our hardworking team to ensure that lunchtimes are happy and safely exciting times.

Parent Workshops

Our lovely Early Intervention Family Worker, Jane Rogers will be running her last workshop this term. The date is:

13th November – Self esteem coffee drop in no pre-sign up needed

And finally....

Have a wonderful weekend with your families,

Kind regards,

Claire Worth

Headteacher