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*'We nurture a caring Christian community where all are valued
 and by working together we will educate and inspire each child.'*

Dear Parents/Guardians,

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our school is very fortunate to have a dedicated group of parents and grandparents who come together to help arrange and run a number of fundraising events throughout the year. The money raised by this group enables school to provide a number of treats for the children throughout the year and to purchase resources and equipment for use by children throughout school.

In 2017 - 2018 the following funds were raised:

September 2017	Balance in fundraising account	£2,242.90
October 2017	Halloween disco	£151.45
November 2017	Raffle	£54.00
December 2017	Non-uniform day	£119.00
December 2017	Movie nights	£79.00
January 2018	Blind card	£40.00
February 2018	Cake sale	£39.00
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March 2018	Wish tokens	£31.63
May 2018	Cake sale	£46.40
June 2018	Sports week raffle and ice-pop sales	£101.76
Total fundraising amount 2017-18 (excluding balance from 2016/17)		£702.24
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In 2017-2018 the funds were spent on the following:

Date	Event	Cost of event	Fundraising contribution	Additional costs met by school
October 2017	Halloween disco	£120	£120	
December 2017	Advent books for children	£70		£70
December 2017	Christmas presents for children	£216.87	£216.87	
December 2017	Movie nights	£40	£40	
January 2018	Nursery refurbishment	£7500	£1,000	£6,500
February 2018	Cream eggs for Easter Egg Hunt	£120	£67.15	£52.85
February 2018	Cake sale		£5.55 (ingredients)	
March 2018	Theatre experience in school	£800		£800
April 2018	Carlton	£7,500	£300	£4,179.81 (additional costs met by parents)
June 2018	Interactive whiteboards x4	£7132		£7,132
June 2018	Sports week	£450		£450
July 2018	Y6 Prom	£298.35	£298.35	

July 2018	Whiteboards for EYFS/KS1	£500	£200	£300
Ongoing	Weekly rewards	£400		£400
		Total cost of events, resources, treats 2017/18 £17,575.22	Total fundraising expenditure 2017/18 £2,247.92	School's budget contribution to total expenditure for events, resources and treats 2017/18 £19,884.56

At the end of the 2017/18 school year, the balance in the fundraising account was £697.22. The group has already kindly donated £20 per child for the forthcoming Year 6 residential visit to London, leaving a current balance of £317.22.

This year, our key focus in school is to renew and improve the ICT equipment we have available for the pupils. This is a large project, which will cost many thousands of pounds and will take a significant period of time for us to achieve. Whilst we do receive a small amount of money in our school budget for ICT, unfortunately the amount we receive will not cover the costs we need to spend. Our fundraising group have kindly agreed to help raise additional funds for this project throughout the year, as well as still ensuring that some of the money they raise is used to provide special events and treats for the children.

Planned events this year include:

Date	Event	Who benefits from event?
20 th September	Macmillan Coffee morning	Charity
28 th September	Sponsored run and fitness events	Children in all year groups
November 2018	Family bingo night – children and parents	School (ICT)
December 2018	Advent books and Christmas presents for children	Children in all year groups
December 2018	Christmas performances	Children in all year groups
December 2018	Pantomime in school for children	Children in all year groups
December 2018	CAUSE hamper collection	Charity
February 2019	Disco for children	Children/School (ICT) in all year groups
April 2019	Easter egg hunts and other activities for children and families	Children/School (ICT) in all year groups
April 2019	Easter egg raffle	Children/Charity in all year groups
June 2019	Sports week for children and families	Children/School (ICT) in all year groups
July 2019	Y6 Prom	Children in Y6
Ongoing	Weekly treats for Head of School Awards and certificate prizes	Children in all year groups

We are asking for your support with the above events throughout the year so that the planned events are a success. Our fundraising group are constantly seeking new members and if you are able to help in any way, either on a regular basis or at one or more of the above events, please contact Mrs Porritt at school and she will pass on your name to the fundraising group.

Equally, if any of you or your family work for a company that would match fund or support our fundraising events we would be very grateful to hear from you.

Thank you

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Executive Headteacher

Miss V White
Head of School

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