



LESSNESS SCHOOL AND FAMILY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

JULY 2018

Hello, welcome to the July Newletter from the LSFA!

This year has seen such a lot of wonderful Fund Raising Events, many of them new to both the School (and the members of the LSFA – thank you for your patience!)

Film Club – February saw our first after school film club on the last day of term. 175 children came along and enjoyed the 'Emoji' movie and over £700 was raised!

Easter – Despite the shocking weather, children and parents took part in our first Easter Trail. 115 children took part and with the Cake Sale, raised another £170.

June – Another first for Lessness Heath! Inflatables Day attracted 279 children and this event raised over £600! Thankfully the weather was kinder to us on this occasion and we received some amazing feedback.

We have also been fundraising with our **Adventure Island** ticket offer: When our last batch of vouchers are sold, we can expect a profit of £250. Thanks to all who have purchased vouchers so far. You won't be disappointed! This is a great family day out.

As such, the LSFA have been able to help the School fund some events for the Children:

January – Visiting Theatre Company – 'Jack & The Beanstalk' £900

July – Visiting Theatre Company – 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe £700

<u>July</u> – Year 6 Leavers' Party - £450

Going into the next academic year, we already have a lengthy list of items we'd like to provide for the children.

How's Our Year Been?

There is no doubt we've had a successful year so far and it's always a delight to see the joy and excitement our big events give the children. However, with only 3 key members now, the LSFA has struggled to pull off some attractions and indeed plan for more. In order to develop and grow, we **need** more parent support and help.

The Inflatables Day saw only 8 parent volunteers! Thankfully, Staff were pulled in to top up numbers, but there was a real risk the day would be cancelled last minute with so few helpers. We can't allow ourselves to be in this position again.

We understand many parents work and we appreciate parents with large families can't commit to volunteer work. However, with over 600 children at Lessness Heath, we need a bigger team of more than just 3, to plan and stage events and fund raise. The more people we have the more we can do!

The Way Forward

We'll be meeting again in September to discuss the future of the LSFA.

One idea for discussion is that every year group has at least one parent representative. The 'Year Rep' will ideally liaise with their children and fellow parents to maintain an open line of communication with us in terms of what we plan and what you'd like to see.

Please help us to enhance their primary school experience with as much as we can.

Thank You

Sadly Stacey Shand has decided to resign her position as Vice Chair of the LSFA due to her work and family commitments. She has worked incredibly hard for the LSFA over the last 2 year and her support, encouragement and dedication are already greatly missed. Thank You, Stacey, for everything.

This means that the LSFA have to fill the position of Vice Chair; as we are a Registered Charity this is an obligation we have to carry out. Duties are varied, and include becoming a Trustee of the LSFA, meeting & event planning, sourcing Fund Raising opportunities, Volunteer recruitment and generally mucking in with events and admin.

Should you wish to apply or require further details please email us or drop us a note in to the Red Post Box by Reception. We look forward to hearing from you!

Goodbye and Good Luck!

We will also be saying Goodbye to several of our LSFA Volunteers this year, as their children move on from Year 6 into Secondary School. Our deep and grateful thanks go with you all; your hard work and efforts for the School - not only this year but in many previous years - has been amazing. Thank you.

Upcoming Dates

September 2018 LSFA Meeting - Date to be advised

December 2018 Christmas Discos – Dates to be advised

Wishing you all a happy and peaceful Summer! We look forward to seeing you all again in September! Please keep in touch, our contact details are shown below.

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