

Friends of The Winchcombe School

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NEWSLETTER

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Half term already - where has the time gone?

Our group of fabulous mums are busy planning our Summer BBQ which takes place after school on Friday 15th July. We hope to see lots of you there, but in the meantime here's what else is happening:

School Lottery: Draws are taking place weekly, you can take part any time and for as long as you like. Click <u>here</u> to register, choose your lucky numbers and decide whether to play every week by direct debit or choose 'one off payment' for a block of 1, 3, 6 or 12 months.

There is at least 1 winner per school per week, plus the chance of winning the $\pounds 25,000$ jackpot. It's open to all so please share with family and friends to maximise sales - it's a great way to support FoWS and you could be a winner!

Special offer - Win a £100 B&Q Gift Card
On 25th June five lucky winners will scoop
a £100 B&Q Gift Card each, just in time for BBQ
season! See attached flyer for details.

Easy Fundraising: We have earned \pounds 72 in donations so far this year; it's the easiest thing we can all do to raise money for FoWS. It is free to join, just click <u>here</u> and you can raise money while you shop online at no extra cost. Refer a friend and earn \pounds 5 bonus donations.

Bag2School: Our collection of used clothing in April raised £128 and we will have another after half term - see our upcoming events for details. **Easter Non Uniform Day:** Everyone looked fantastic and we raised £193! Thank you for your generosity!

Easter Egg Hunt: Thank you to everyone who took part in our Easter Egg Hunt over half term, we hope you had fun and enjoyed your Easter Eggs! We raised £68.

Empties Please: we are still collecting used printer cartridges in reception; you can donate these any time and we recycle them for money.

MATCHED FUNDING - We need you!!

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It is really important that we maximise our fundraising potential; we know local companies such as Vodafone, Bayer and Micro Focus offer Matched Funding schemes; if you work for one of these companies, or one who offers something similar, please get in touch to let us know how we can apply. Please contact us if you would like to get

involved, if you have any fund-raising ideas or suggestions of how to spend the money raised.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Big PTA Summer Raffle: See attached poster for details - click <u>here</u> to buy tickets. For every ticket purchased, you have 12 chances to win up to £5,000! Plus 50% from every ticket sold goes straight to FoWS.

Bag2School: 1st July - Collection of good quality clothes and linen. See attached poster for details. **Uniform & Cake Sale:** We continue to collect and sell good quality **logo only** uniform via the donation bin located in reception. In particular we need small uniform for our September new starters and larger sizes, so if your Y6 child is leaving school this summer please think of us! We know how important it is to access affordable uniform, so please join our Facebook group or email winchcombefriends@gmail.com anytime for available uniform.

We will also be selling uniform and cakes in the playground after school Friday 24th June.

Non Uniform Day: End of term - date TBC

Summer BBQ: Put the date in your diary, 15th July after school, it's THE event of the year!

Tickets will go on sale in July, we will have a BBQ, refreshments, games and hopefully some sunshine! Further details to follow.

If your child would like to design a poster for the event please see the attached poster for details of our competition!

We will need volunteers on the day, please get in touch if you can help.

WHERE WILL YOUR DONATIONS GO?

The School need around £5,000 for new playground games for the children

We are providing book bags for new starters and books for the Year 6 leavers which will total £1,500, and we hope to be able to subsidise the school pantomime visit next Christmas too.

DID YOU KNOW ...?

- ... We have a <u>page on the school website</u> find us under the 'Parents' tab
- ... Email us on <u>winchcombefriends@gmail.com</u>
- ... You can follow us on <u>www.facebook.com/FriendsofWinchcombe</u> or join our group <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/friendsoft</u> <u>hewinchcombeschool</u>
 - ... We welcome all suggestions for fundraising and other activities.

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Can you help? Please get in touch by emailing winchcombefriends@gmail.com Thanks!