Friends of Wroxton (FOW)

FOW Newsletter

Your PTFA needs you!

Welcome to the October FOW newsletter!

What are we fundraising for next?

New 'Forest School' equipment — Mrs Ledo is using the money to buy equipment as we speak!

New large play equipment for the playground, which will benefit all of the pupils.

Also, we are looking into further development of the reflection area, to include a sensory space.

Please consider helping us — see page 2's "how can you help" section for more information.

What if I can't commit?

There is no pressure to commit to everything, as we all lead busy lives!

But if lots of people offer to help out, then the workload is spread and more of us can enjoy the brilliant events.

How do I find out more?

Please come to the next FOW meeting, speak to Mrs. Ruffle, Kerri Grant (Kites parent), or one of the members listed on the next page.

You can also request to join the Facebook group:

"Friends of Wroxton PTA"

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1277802972633584/

'Great Wroxton Bake Off' = Great Wroxton success!

Monday 11th October saw cakes, bakes, sweet treats and more cakes brought in for the 1st "Great Wroxton Bake Off"!

I think we were all amazed to see how many bakes there were and we have had lots of positive comments about the event.

All your efforts raised a fantastic **£206.40!**

On behalf of the FOW, we would like to say a massive **THANK YOU** to all pupils who baked, those that helped on the stall, everyone that patiently waited to buy cakes, Mrs. Guiness for judging the star bakes and to our 4 star bakers!

This event was a new idea that was suggested at the first FOW meeting last month. It was given the go-ahead and developed into a thoroughly enjoyable and successful event. If you think that you have a simple, but effective idea to raise money and have fun at the same time, please get in touch.

The Bake Off will return next year! :)

Christmas Card Workshop

Mrs. Ruffle held a Christmas Card workshop on 5th October, which was "glitter mayhem"!

27 children attended and over half of parents have ordered products — thank you for your support and we hope you like your child's creations.

Upcoming events calendar

Tuesday 19th October

Pre-loved Uniform sale, 3pm.

At the front of school, or in the hall, if bad weather.

Wednesday 20th October

Non Uniform / "Break the Rules" day.

Thursday 11th November

Christmas Gift Fair, 7 — 8:30pm at school.

Raffle and refreshments on the night.

Come and do some Christmas shopping, whilst supporting local businesses and the school. *#shoplocal*

Wednesday 17th November

Next FOW meeting, 7pm, Kestrels classroom.
All are invited to attend.

Friday 10th December

School Christmas Fair, 3 — 5pm, at school.

How can you help?

- **Ideas!**

We need lots of fundraising ideas to help our school.

All ideas will be considered!

- **Volunteering**

If you can spare a little time to attend meetings or help at an event or sale, it would mean things run more smoothly.

Even if it is only once, it will mean that the same people are not doing every-thing. It is also fun and you get to meet new people from the school family!

Or maybe you have a particular skill set to offer?

- **Donations**

Pre-loved uniforms, cakes, raffle prizes….

We have lots of events throughout the year that may require different types of donations.

Perhaps your workplace could help too?

- **Spread the word**

For external events, please ask your family/friends/neighbours/colleagues to come along and support us! Or put up posters and share on Facebook.

Friends of Wroxton are hosting a

Christmas Gift Evening

Thursday 11th November 2021

7pm-8:30pm

Wroxton CE Primary School

Stalls include: children's books, hampers, hair accessories, cosmetics, gifts for the home, photo prints, women's clothing, art supplies, sausage rolls and scotch eggs, wax melts, bath bombs, pom-pom wreaths and many others.

Come along and start your Christmas shopping.

Wroxton CE Primary School, Lampitts Green, Wroxton, Nr Banbury, Ox15 6QJ

Easyfundraising

Do you shop online?

Did you know that we're registered with easyfundraising and you could help us to raise funds for the school at no extra cost to yourself?

Since our fundraising events are slowly being introduced, this is a great opportunity to keep raising much needed funds for the school. When you shop online, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, Amazon, eBay, notonthehighstreet, you will raise FREE donations for Wroxton Primary School - Banbury.

If you're not already signed up, it only takes a few minutes, then you can begin using the easyfundraising website or app straightaway - simply shop online as normal. This will be an enormous help to the school, at no extra cost to yourself.

Please visit our easyfundraising web page to get started:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wroxtonprim/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=s-e2

Future events—watch this space!

The following events are in the pipeline….

- Grown ups quiz
- 'Food from around the World'
- School Discos (Spring and Summer terms)
- Easter Bingo
- More non-school uniform or 'Break the Rules' days
- Loose change
- Summer fete
- Year 6 Leavers — hoodies and meal

Maybe a future event could be something that YOU suggest?

"Break the Rules" day

Another brilliant new idea, that was brought to a FOW meeting, was to adapt a non-uniform day into a "break the rules" day.

On **Wednesday 20th October**, the children (and staff!) are encouraged to break one or more rules, at a price of 50p per broken rule.

The rules that can be broken (for 1 day only!) are:

* Have crazy hair

* Have squash in your water bottle

* Wear a temporary tattoo

* Bring in an unhealthy snack

* Wear your PJs! (Onesies also included)

Thank you very much to the school's Student Council reps, who picked these rules.

Christmas Gift Evening

Yet another new idea was to organise an evening Christmas Gift event.

This is doubly beneficial, as it will help fundraise for the school and it will also support local small business owners.

See the poster on the previous page. Please share on social media and at your place of work, if possible, to get as *many visitors as possible.*

The businesses that are booked for the night include:

* Avon

* Annie's up dos

* Mighty Maurice books

* The Artery Shop

* Flamingo Paper Crafts

* Shelly's Soft Furnishings

* Canvas Art

* Berowbe Catering

This will be a perfect event to do some Christmas shopping!

There will also be a raffle held on the night. The prizes for this raffle have been kindly donated by each business.

Thursday 11th November, 7 — 8:30pm, at school.

School Christmas Fair

Pre-Covid, one of the biggest and most popular fundraisers for the school was the yearly **School Christmas Fair.**

This fair is a festive, after school, family–friendly event.

It has stalls such as a raffle, tombola, games, small gifts, crafts, the popular water-to-wine, refreshments, and a visit from Father Christmas & his Elf….

It is an event to mix with the school family and enjoy some festive fun.

If you can help out with the event, please let us know:

* Before the day — to sort or store some donations

* On the day — to help set up, or help on a stall

We will also be asking for various donations after half term. This is to ensure we have lots of prizes, to make as much money as possible for our school.

Donations will include:

* Tombola items

* Chocolates

* Wine (plus any EMPTY wine bottles)

* Good quality toys and cuddly toys

Raffle tickets will be on sale nearer the time. Please sell as many as you can to family, friends etc. etc. We have already secured some really amazing prizes from a variety of local attractions.

We would love to see lots of you there:

Friday 10th December, 3 — 5pm, at school.

Next Meeting:
Wednesday 17th November, 7pm, in the Kestrels Classroom