

FOMSA Summer Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Can you believe we are into the Summer term already!

The Spring term was obviously a very different one for school and for FOMSA. We were of course limited on the events and fundraising that we have been able to do. But we do still have some updates.

FOMSA and the school were very lucky to receive kind donations from two village residents and also the Community Council. This money has been used to fund extra headphones for the school and also additional books and resources that have been needed as a result of the pandemic. FOMSA have also given £410 to fund a Crumble Class set, which is a DT and computing project.



Thank you

We would like to say a big thank you to Paul Allen from the Kings Head as he has again nominated FOMSA as the charity to receive the proceeds from the paper recycling bank and bottle banks located in the Pubs yard this time. Thank you to all the members of the community that use these facilities as this has enabled this donation to happen.



Easter Treasure Hunt

We were really sad not to be able to arrange this year's Easter Treasure Hunt in the village woodland. We know how popular it has become and how much we enjoy running it. However, rather than the children miss out we were able to arrange this event within school time. The children searched the school grounds to find 12 famous rabbits. Once the children had found these, they were then able to collect their prize. We hope the children all enjoyed their end of term treat. We would like to thank Tesco Stowmarket for their kind donation towards the cost of the eggs. We will really hope to be back in the woods for next year's treasure hunt and will look forward to you joining us then.

Break a Rule Day

This was a non-uniform day this time to end the term. Thank you to everyone who sent in your £1 donation for this. We raised £79.05 for the school.

This term we are hoping to organise the following events and activities:



Bags to School

The collection date is **Tuesday 27th April**. If you have any clothes etc to donate, you are able to bring your filled bags to school at Monday morning drop off, Monday morning pick up and Tuesday morning drop off. Please leave bags at the front of the school between the doors to the Community Centre entrance and the kitchen area. FOMSA members will also be there to show you where to put them.



Easy Fundraising

Do you shop online? Have you signed up to this? All you have to do is register at www.easyfundraising.org.uk and when you're asked to choose your cause type in **Friends of Mendlesham School Association**. Then each time you want to shop at one of their partner retailers just click to the retailer website through the link on the easy fundraising website (or download the reminder widget straight to your desktop and be reminded each time you go to a partner retailer website). It is a simple way to raise money for the school **without it costing anything**.

Year 6 Leavers Books and Leavers Event

Some of you will be aware that every year FOMSA liaises with school to create and fund Leavers books for each of the Year 6 children as a leaving gift as they move on to secondary school. We are pleased to say that these will again be made for the children and although the current Year 6's will have had a very strange end to primary school life, the book will be a lovely reminder of all of their time at primary school. FOMSA will also still be funding food for the Year 6 leavers event. The school will of course organise this in line with guidance at the time. Last year's Dominoes Pizza treat was really enjoyed by all!

Break a Rule Day

Friday 28th May. We will be asking the School Council for this terms theme. More details to follow. We will be asking for a £1 donation for this.

Frozen Fridays

On Friday's, after half term, we will be selling ice lollies at the end of the school day. A treat to start the weekend as you walk home or enjoy it at the playing field. More information to follow.

Summer Fair

Sadly, it is likely that our Summer fair will not happen in the way that it usually does this year, especially as we usually book and arrange things well in advance. We will of course keep following current guidance and if we are able to put on an event of some sort to end the school year then we will try to do so. We will also keep you informed of anything else we are able to do as the term goes on. We will look forward to the time when we can socialise with everyone again and bring back all of the events we enjoy running for the school and community.

Many thanks for your continued support. The FOMSA Committee.