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FOMSA End of Year Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, another school year is almost over. Some parents will be wondering where their child's first year has gone and others thinking the same of their child's time at primary school as they get ready to move on. But to everyone, we would like to thank you for your support.

Again, it is a very different end of year newsletter that we write. Sadly, we have missed out on some of the big FOMSA events that we usually would have done such as the Easter Treasure Hunt and the Summer Fayre, but on a positive note we have still been able to do some of our end of term projects and have continued to help fund some items to support the children, staff and school.

Fundraising and events this school year have included:

Break a Rule Day x 2	Halloween Trail
Christmas Card Orders	Christmas Trail
Bags to School x 2	Placemat Orders
Christmas Rainbow Hamper Raffle	Easy Fundraising
Ink Cartridge Recycling	Bottle Bank/Paper Bank Recycling Donations
Donations from two village residents and the Community Council	Frozen Fridays

Due to missed events our fundraising efforts will be lower than previous years, however, we have still been able to raise a fantastic £2949.54 for the school with a few other amounts pending to come in and out to finish the year.

We are also really pleased to have supported some projects for the school this year which will have benefitted the children in some way now and in the future. Some of these you already know about but some have been arranged this term.

Things we have supported funding include:

- * Fire steels and tool bag for forest school.
- * Children's Christmas gifts.
- * Extra headphones and additional books and resources.
- * £410 to fund a Crumble Class set, which is a DT and computing project.
- * An Easter egg for every child.
- * Year 6 leavers gift: a leavers book for each child filled with photographs and memories of their time at the school.
- * A pizza treat for Year 6 for their leavers party.
- * Lollies as an end of term treat for everyone.

We would like to take this opportunity to say goodbye and good luck to all the Year 6 children. We wish them all the very best for High School.

As a final thank you, thank you once again to everyone that has been involved with FOMSA this year either being part of the Committee, as well as parents, carers, family members, friends, school staff, Local Board Members (previously known as Governors) and members of the Community that have supported FOMSA projects or events in any way this year. We hope you enjoyed the projects that we were able to do this school year. We had fun whilst raising money for the school. We would also like to say a big thank you to all the children for getting involved and joining in. We hope you had fun and will continue to enjoy the items we have funded when you return in September.

As always, we value people's views and ideas so if you have any ideas or anything you would like us to consider for next year or if you would like to be more involved with FOMSA, then please get in contact with us. Our details are on our page on the school website which is part of the parent information section.

We hope you have an enjoyable summer. Stay safe and well and we will see you in September!!!

Best wishes, the FOMSA Committee.

A bit of Summer Homework: Easy Fundraising

A huge thank you to those people that have signed up to this. It is a simple way to raise money for the school **without it costing anything to you other than what you are purchasing**. The donations we receive from the registered companies are a good way for us to still raise money whilst we are limited in the other things we can currently do.

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). You will be helping the school whilst doing your shopping.

Yard Sale

We are hoping to organise a village yard sale in September. Do you have lots of items to sell and would like to have your location on our map? Or do you have any items to donate to a FOMSA stall? Or would you be happy to bake for a cake stall or refreshment stall?
More details to follow.