



Friends Of Crocombe School – FOCS

Friends of Crocombe School - Annual General Meeting - 12 Sep 18

The FOCS Committee and parents met on 12th September to discuss the previous year's fundraising achievements and looked at fundraising ideas for the upcoming school year. We wanted to report to all parents what was discussed and decided upon at the meeting.

Fundraising 2017/2018

FOCS have raised £3,966 during the last school year. Our biggest fundraising events during last school year were the Christmas Fayre, the Christmas Market, the Christmas auction, selling ice creams each week, making Christmas cards, the Smarties Challenge, Clothes for a Cause and the Crocombe FunDay Stall. A huge thank you for all the parents who helped and contributed.

Class Allocation of FOCS Funding

It was decided that FOCS will give each class £500 per school year. This can be allocated to coaches for school trips (offering parents a discounted cost on school trips), plus any extra resources each class might require throughout the school year.

Autumn/Halloween disco

The idea of an Autumn disco was a unanimous YES from all parents at the AGM. Given issues with renting the Village Hall on a Friday, it was decided that we hold the disco on a week night. We have booked Thursday 18th October for this. We will need volunteers to help out to get this event organised, as well as helping on the night.

Jumble sale

The idea for a fundraising carboot sale on the school field were agreed but everyone decided that we wait until the summer term until the weather returns. It was decided that an Autumn/Winter fundraising idea would be a table top sale/jumble sale in the village hall. A date will be confirmed.

Christmas cards

FOCS asked parents at the AGM whether they would prefer to come to school to make Christmas Cards or whether they would prefer to create them at home. The vote was that people would prefer to do this at home with their children. This was a great fundraising for FOCS last year so we hope you can all take part.

Christmas Market

It was decided to hold the FOCS Christmas Market in the Village Hall this year. We hope this will bring in more stallholders, families and supporters of FOCS from the village. This will be held on Friday 14th December. Parent volunteers are obviously needed to make this event a fundraising success.

Breakfast with Santa

This was such a huge success with the children last year that we have decided to put on this event again this year. We will hold this on the last day of term 21st December at 8.15am. Details to follow.

Volunteer support for fundraising events

With Craig, Gemma and Anne having increasing work commitments, we need to ask other parents to help in the preparation of these fundraising events, as well as helping on the day.

For the Christmas Market, the Halloween Disco and Breakfast with Santa, we will be posting a list of jobs (on the FOCS Facebook page and on the school door) so everyone can assist in making these fundraising events happen. Without your help in preparing for these fundraising events, they won't go ahead.

Allotment

We wanted to let all parents know that the allotment is a totally separate entity from FOCS. If you would like to be involved with your PTA – FOCS – this doesn't mean you have to go up to the allotment with a spade! If you volunteer your time to help with fundraising FOCS events, this doesn't have to include being involved in the allotment.

We look forward to a successful fundraising year for our children and our school.

Best wishes

Your FOCS TEAM