

# The Friends of Laleham School

Monthly Meeting

Monday 12 December 2022

8pm on Zoom



Attendees (Committee & Trustees)	Other Members	Apologies
Emma Sayle, Chair Sarah Ellis, Secretary Helen Panyandee, Vice Chair Nick Warner, Treasurer	Andrea McWilliams-Bowe Charlotte Brown (Hedgehogs rep) John Robinson (Wildlife garden) volunteer & yrs R, 2 and 5) Carley Allen (Hedgehogs rep) Louise Blackwell (Penguins rep)	

## Agenda

1. Actions from previous meeting
2. Treasurers report
3. Review of recent events
4. Events for the rest of the school year
5. School requests
6. AOB

Item	Discussion	Actions																																		
1. Previous minutes and actions from previous meeting	<p><b>Carried forward</b></p> <p>School will be putting up a plaque acknowledging that FoLS funded the new outdoor learning area Update 14/11/22 - Karen Dawson is dealing with this task. Update 12/12/22 - Plaque wording needs to be agreed – “New outdoor learning funded by PTA” → agreed at the meeting</p>	School																																		
2. Finance report	<p>All previous Treasurers reports can be downloaded from the FoLS website - <a href="http://Friends of Laleham School (pta-events.co.uk)">Friends of Laleham School (pta-events.co.uk)</a></p> <p><b>Christmas Fair</b> NEARLY £3,400 RAISED FROM CHRISTMAS FAIR</p> <table border="1"> <caption>Christmas Fair Stall Data</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Stall</th> <th>Amount Raised (£)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Groto</td><td>390</td></tr> <tr><td>Gifts &amp; Jars of Joy</td><td>374</td></tr> <tr><td>Pick a pudding</td><td>361</td></tr> <tr><td>Books and Puzzles</td><td>301</td></tr> <tr><td>Secret Room</td><td>275</td></tr> <tr><td>Cakes</td><td>261</td></tr> <tr><td>Books</td><td>188</td></tr> <tr><td>Kids Tombola</td><td>182</td></tr> <tr><td>Ult Tombola</td><td>153</td></tr> <tr><td>Barcel Game</td><td>90</td></tr> <tr><td>Meat Hampers and Fancy Dress</td><td>70</td></tr> <tr><td>Stalls</td><td>45</td></tr> <tr><td>Food</td><td>302</td></tr> <tr><td>Christmas Trees and Stalls</td><td>217</td></tr> <tr><td>Stalls</td><td>212</td></tr> <tr><td>Stalls</td><td>130</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Note: Hall Hire Charge of £184</p> <p>Groto and gifts/jars of joy and pick a pudding were the top 3 stalls.</p>	Stall	Amount Raised (£)	Groto	390	Gifts & Jars of Joy	374	Pick a pudding	361	Books and Puzzles	301	Secret Room	275	Cakes	261	Books	188	Kids Tombola	182	Ult Tombola	153	Barcel Game	90	Meat Hampers and Fancy Dress	70	Stalls	45	Food	302	Christmas Trees and Stalls	217	Stalls	212	Stalls	130	
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The cost outlay was less than the Summer Fair.

### Christmas Auction

The pledged payments when it closed were £3535. Currently only £35 is unpaid, once all payments have been received the money will be paid to us with in a couple of weeks. Emma is now organizing for the delivery of prizes, if you know you won a bid and haven't heard from us before the end of term please email [fols@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fols@hotmail.co.uk).

### Other activities this term



The year to date fundraising total is £8500.

This term we have spent £1500 on the following to either put on events for our children or buy items requested by the school.

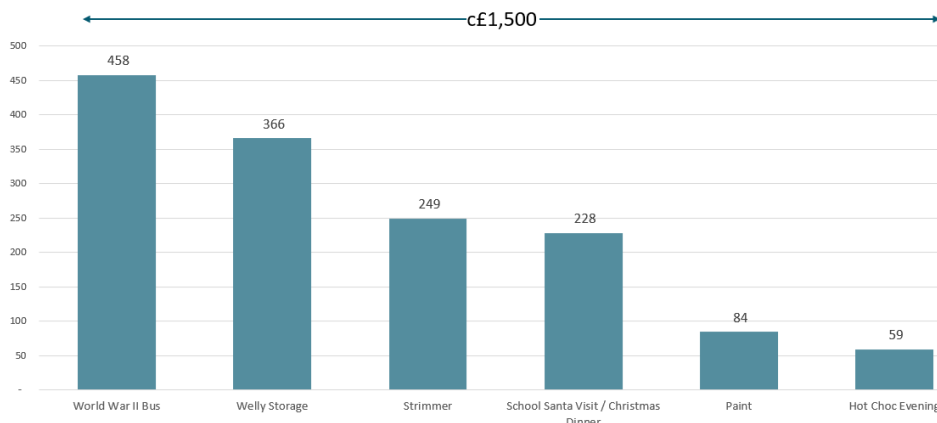
We have funded

- Much needed equipment to support the work of the volunteers bringing the wildlife garden back in to use;
- Paid for welly storage for several years so there is somewhere to put these much needed items to enjoy the new outdoor play facilities;
- Paid for the World War 2 experience bus to bring history to life for year 6 pupils;
- Put on a Hot Chocolate and stories evening free event for all children in reception, years 1, 2 and 3; and
- Provided Christmas crackers for every year with their Christmas lunch and a Santa visit.

## CHRISTMAS TEASERS TOWARDS ACTIVITIES

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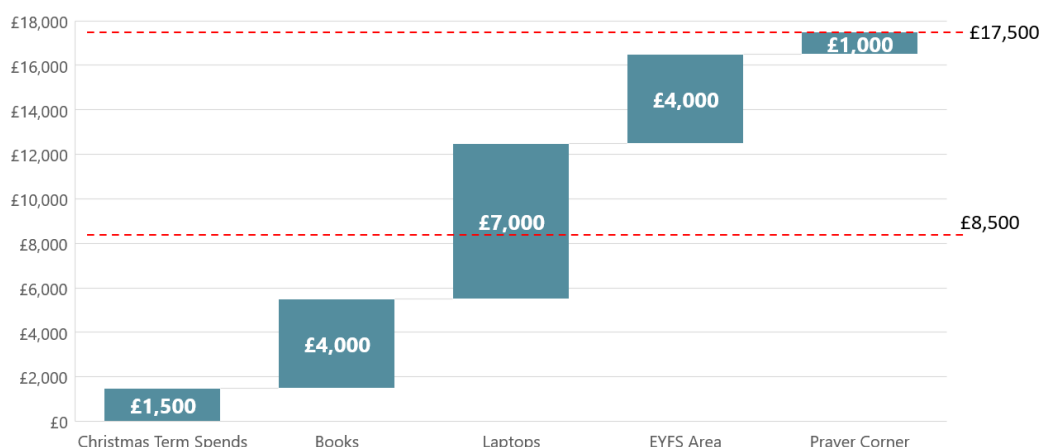
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This year the PTA have been asked to fundraise towards 4 big items for our children as well as smaller activities including the ones listed above.

With the money raised this term, we have made an excellent start and will now be able to provide the funds for the provision of books and re-vamping the in-class reading areas.

### FUNDRAISING TRACKER



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3. Review of recent events

- Christmas Fair Saturday 26 November – the atmosphere of the event was really lovely. Parents leaving suggested the prices were about right. Opportunities for further fundraising from this event include sponsored estate agents boards and a raffle. Having the classroom to take a drink and cake into worked really well. It was suggested that in future the use of tokens would allow buying of those in advance and donating tokens to others.
- Auction – having clarity over the financial contribution from the large items may help avoid confusion in future, the software is very easy to use, was available for a good length of time, the application of the fees was found to be confusing if you're not familiar with buying from sites like this.

4. Events for the rest of the

- February Half Term sponsored read – need to speak to Mrs Alongi
- Easter Raffle - 3<sup>rd</sup> March mufti day for raffle
- May Fair – no dates to have within school time due to other commitments
- June Jive – 9 June (suggestion to use a token system to pay for food/drink)

TBC

school year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June 29 - Circus</li> </ul>	
5. Requests from school	Book fair will be taking place on 31 January, 1 and 2 February – need parents to support the staffing of that event, putting out the books, taking payments. Volunteer times are likely to be 3.00 to 4.30.	ES
6. AOB	<p><b>ACTION</b> → Agenda item for full governing body – please could the PTA receive clarification of the reasons behind the decision the governors have made to not allow the selling or serving of alcohol at school events.</p> <p>Garden volunteers update – a path was installed at the weekend, it looks great. John will be meeting with Andrea in the new year to discuss the next steps.</p> <p>Communication – there was a long discussion about how parents can be made more aware of the activities the PTA volunteers undertake, the benefit of those to the school and the children and how more individuals can be involved to support the activities.</p>	AMcB
<b>Dates of next meetings</b>	16 January 2023 8.00pm on Zoom.	