

## Newsletter - March 2009 - Issue 18

### Friends of Davenham School



#### Financial Update

You'll be pleased to know we've been spending.... We've purchased the final Interactive Whiteboard (costing just over £2,500) for the Resource Room along with a stand alone laptop (which was an additional £500). In addition, Mr Peach also asked us to buy 20 new Music Stands (costing just over £200) which have since been purchased and both Years 5 and 6 are making full use of.



#### Bags2School

The Bags2School Clothing Collection back in November raised £387 - thanks to everyone who donated clothing. The next blue bag collection days will be **Friday 24 April 2009** and **Friday 13 November 2009**.... we'll remind you nearer the time.

#### Christmas Craft Fair

The Craft Fair back in November was another great success and raised a FANTASTIC profit of just over £2,000.

#### Gift Wrap

Thanks to Parents who ordered Gift Wrap last year, this raised a healthy profit of £174.

#### Lucky Draw

Our recent Lucky Draw Winners were.... In October (**Jo Barlow**); November (**Amanda Dutton**); December (**Julie Lucas**); January (**Peter Taylor**) and February (**Hilary Houghton**). Congratulations to all winners who each received a cheque for £25.



#### Santa's Visit to School

Thanks to everyone who turned out on a chilly evening to see Santa. The Year 6 children decided they'd like the collection to go to The Joshua Tree and as we had not utilised the money collected the previous year, FODS made up the difference and sent off a £200 cheque to The Joshua Tree (*update.... we've just received a lovely thank you letter back from them*).

#### Tea Towels

The popular self portrait Tea Towels for the Reception children made a profit of £110.



#### Monthly Cakes

The Monthly Cakes Sales are getting *very* competitive and they're raising fantastic amounts each month. Who's going to be top Class at the end of the School year?

Check out the FODS Web Site to see which Class is currently in the lead.

[www.fods.org](http://www.fods.org)

#### Quiz Night

The Quiz Night took place on 7 February and the winning team were 'Tenacity Slack rides again'. Thanks to the School Cooks, for providing hot pot and chilli too..... This event raised almost £400 *and* we ran out of booze so Jane Wroe and Carol Giddins had to hot foot down to Bargain Booze to replenish supplies! Thanks in particular to Martin Eastwood, Phil Baynes and Chris Allen for setting the questions. There's a full run down of how each team did on the FODS web site.



## 2009 Summer Ball



You'll have seen the recent Flyer about our 'Bankrupt Ball' this July. We've got a great local band - 'Broadchurch' live on stage as well as a DJ and we can also promise you truly delicious food. We have worked really hard to keep the ticket price down to the same as last year... £45 per ticket. Grab your tickets before they go on general release - it's going to be another great night (and we've pre-ordered the sunshine too!).

### Paper Quiz (Children's TV programmes)



Amanda Isherwood is currently organising a fun paper quiz based on past and present children's TV programmes. It *only* costs £1 to enter so get your grey matter working and have a go - you could win a £20 M&S voucher. You don't have to be a parent to enter, so help raise money for your School and sell copies to your friends, family, work colleagues, neighbours etc etc etc. Contact Amanda if you would like a copy emailed to you (ajisherwood@hotmail.co.uk).

### Family Bingo



Two fat ladies ..... Julie Baker is currently organising our ever popular **Family Bingo** on **Friday 20 March**. It's a great night and one that is suited to both Infants and Junior children; prizes will be Easter Eggs with a fabulous Fairtrade Hamper as top prize.

### Hot Cross Buns



As usual, we will be holding two Hot Cross Buns Afternoons in April. Infants will take place on **Wednesday 1 April** and Juniors will be on **Thursday 2 April**. Further details to follow via the Book Bags. We'll also be holding our popular Easter Bonnet parade if your children would like to make a bonnet (or a top hat or crown!).

Come along and enjoy a delicious hot cross bun and a cup of tea and be entertained by the children.



### Games & Races Afternoon

This is something we tried to hold last year for the first time but that wonderful 'summer' we had meant we had to cancel due to the appalling wet weather. So, we're going to try again! The afternoon will be held on the School playing field on **Saturday 16 May 2009** and there will be various events such as Parent and Child races and games as well as a BBQ, beer tent, refreshments and music; a family orientated day out for all.

### FODS Web Site

Have a look at our all new web site [www.fods.org](http://www.fods.org); it's a work in progress and if you have any ideas or would like photos uploaded etc, please contact Katie Mattinson (07789 831 288).

*This will also be the last Newsletter that you receive via Book Bags. In future, Newsletters will be available for you to read / print out via our web site.*

### New FODS logo

We decided it was about time we updated our logo so from now on, we will be using the new logo, shown below, on all our book bag flyers, letterheads etc. Isn't it posh??? Thanks to John Mattinson for his work on this.

