



*Hello everyone! We hope you all had a great summer with lots of fun! So our Autumn term is underway and we can certainly feel lots of positive energy around! The FOLS team have started to plan our annual fundraising efforts and we have listed below some key highlights for this term. A full calendar will be sent out before the end of September.*

*As always we are keen to have input/ideas from everyone and it would be great if we could get some new members! If you have ideas on how we can support our wonderful school and would like to get involved then please speak to one of the FOLS team (you can identify us by checking out our photos on the playground notice board - which we do need to update as we do have new team members already!). Alternatively you can speak to Linda Wanstall (mum of Katie in Year 6), Fiona (mum to Rosie in Year 6 and Jess in Year 3), Jodie (mum to Mia in Year 2 & Jayden in Year 1), Sarah and James Mitchell-Smith (parents to Robert in Year 2), Mel (mum to Freya in Year 4), Katrina (mum to Sophie in Year 1), Cecile (mum to Louis in Year 6, Marie in Year 3 and Cami in Reception), Hollie (mum to Cameron in Year 4 & Ewan in Year 2), Sam (mum to Sophia in Year 1) or Sarah or myself (mums of Tara in Year 4 & Livvy in Year 1). Alternatively free to email me on [mcarpenterhanson@gmail.com](mailto:mcarpenterhanson@gmail.com).*

*The last academic year was a tremendous one, where yet again we showed what we really can achieve when we all pull together, and we raised a fantastic £13,720!! The*

efforts of parents, teachers, support staff, children and the wider community helped to ensure that we continue to have a healthy bank balance for the charity which will enable us to continue to provide resources and support to our fabulous school. We want to continue to build a strong foundation of support for our school so please do continue to engage and support. We will keep you updated on events, ideas and resources provided - via parentmail, bulletins like this, the school web site and we even have a Facebook page (for the social media savvy people!) - so do connect with us!

### **Current Planned Events in Autumn 2016**

#### **Coffee Morning - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at the Social in Watlington**

Each month the FoLS team arrange a coffee morning so people can get together, chat about ideas, get to know each other better and eat great cakes! This month we will hold the coffee morning at the Social in Watlington - from 10:15 (after school assembly). It would be great to see you there - if you need any information or need a lift, please speak with Cecile or a FoLS team member.

#### **Quiz Night at Lewknor Village Hall**

We are hoping to hold a fundraising night in October. More information will follow soon.

#### **Bags 2 School - Tuesday 15 November**

As many of you know, one of the ways in which FOLS has raised money for the school recently is through textile recycling. As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill and raises awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse. We will let you know when the next collection date is - we will be issuing the bags to children in school before this date so please keep an eye out.

If you are having a clear out before then and don't have storage then please speak to Fiona Kendall and we can arrange to store it for you. Please ask your friends, neighbours and family too.

#### **Christmas Disco for the children at Lewknor Village Hall (5pm to 7pm)**

We will confirm the date in December asap. If anyone can help with the disco in respect of providing disco equipment then please do speak with us.

## **FoLS 100 Club**

*The FoLS 100 Club is a private lottery and is open to all all parents or guardians of pupils attending the school as well as teaching staff and assistants, past parents, grandparents, support staff, school Governors and people who live locally and are simply "Friends of the School"!*

*Members of the 100 Club can buy one or more numbers per year at a cost of £12 per number. The more numbers you have, the greater your chance of winning!*

### **Prizes**

*There will be one draw each month for 3 cash prizes funded by the income from the 100 Club. Between January and November the prizes will be divided between 3 lucky winners as follows:*

*1<sup>st</sup> prize of £25    2<sup>nd</sup> prize of £15    3<sup>rd</sup> prize of £10*

*In addition, a special Christmas prize draw will give each 100 Club member a chance to win double!*

*Christmas prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> prize of £50    2<sup>nd</sup> prize of £30    3<sup>rd</sup> prize of £20*

*If you would like to join then please email Michelle at [mcarpenterhanson@gmail.com](mailto:mcarpenterhanson@gmail.com) for a form or contact the school office.*

### ***Easy FundRaising!***

*Please don't forget that FOLS is registered with Easyfundraising: If you shop online then every time you buy something you could be raising money for the school! You can even raise money when you book hotel rooms and flights - AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO YOU!!!!*

*Over 2400 well known retailers including Amazon, Tesco, Asda, Sainsburys, Ebay, Expedia, M&S, Boden, Waitrose, House of Fraser, Travelodge, Vodafone, Virgin Atlantic and many more, will donate a percentage of what you spend to FOLS when you shop with them, via the fundraising website [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk)*

Everything you spend with that retailer earns a free donation. It's completely free to use and your shopping won't cost you a penny more. On average, each retailer will donate 5% of the cost of your shopping - and those donations soon mount up.

Please register to support us when you shop online - <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsoflewnorschoolfols>

Thank you for taking the time to read this - and please please do contact us if you would like to join our team or have ideas to share! We are really keen to get as many parents engaged as possible on all that we do and to continue the amazing work we have already done this past year. We will keep you updated of plans and events through the term.