

# FAB NEWSLETTER: OCT 2023

#### **WELCOME**

Hello and thank you to all our parents and carers, for attending the first two family assemblies and first parent coffee morning of the term. It's great to see our children settled back into school. Here is a round up of all FAB activity and fundraising. Have a great half term break everyone.

# LAST YEAR'S FUNDRAISING

**<u>£2000</u>** was raised last year - through all our refreshments, donations, baking and cultural food sales, raffle prizes, winter celebrations, summer fair, family donations and gifts (Minus payment costs for everything behind the scenes, the events and keeping some funds in our FAB charity bank account). We are pleased to announce that **<u>£1000</u>** was donated to school, for our children.

#### FAMILY ASSEMBLY

Refreshments were served and £5.00 was raised in pay as you feel donations - Thank you all. We welcomed back all our parents and carers, played the FAB welcome video and presented the giant cheque for £1000 - to Miss Turner, at the front of the assembly. We mentioned all the fabulous plans we have for the year ahead and were thanked for all our FAB efforts too.

## **PARENT COFFEE MORNING**

We had a great morning, welcoming and catching up with everyone. With a quick chat with our Headteacher - confirming all the dates and events we need. We shared new fundraising ideas, planned for the year ahead and recruited new core team members - who would like to be more involved with FAB activity and behind the scenes. It was also brilliant to hear new ideas and have more input from our reception families. Fundraising ideas included: A FAB Stationery Stall, Cake Stall, Afterschool study sessions (light music, FAB serving juice and snacks) and themed refreshments for family assemblies. The next coffee morning will be in January 2024.

## **CONFIRMED FAB DATES & EVENTS**

- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov (6pm 7.30pm) School Open Evening Refreshments.
- Friday 10th Nov (9am 11am) Open Morning No Refreshments needed.
- Tuesday 14th Nov (after school drop off) Winter/Christmas planning meeting
- Wednesday 29th Nov (9am) Family Assembly Refreshments.
- Wednesday 29th Nov (9.30-10am) Winter/Christmas planning meeting.
- Thursday 14th Dec (2pm and 6pm) KS2 Drama and Winter Concert Refreshments.
- Thursday 21st Dec(9am) Reception Nativity and KS1 Winter Assembly Refreshments.
- Thursday 21st Dec (1pm 3pm) Christmas Dinner and Parties Refreshments/Games.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - PLEASE EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO SIGN UP**

- Serving refreshments family assemblies and school events.
- Selling raffle tickets in the school playground (before and after school pick up).
- Home baking donations for family assemblies and events.
- Prize and gift donations or reaching out to our local community.
- Wrapping Christmas gifts for the children.
- Event Planning and Fundraising Ideas we'd love to hear from you.

## FUNDRAISING PLANS - FOR THE YEAR AHEAD

Family Assemblies, School Open Days, Winter Hamper Raffle, School Winter Events, Non Uniform Day, Cultural Celebrations Day, Spring Hamper, Summer Fair, Sports Day.

#### THANK YOU - FROM THE FAB CORE TEAM

**Friends At Beecroft (FAB)** is the school's Parent Teacher Association (PTA). Established to raise funds,, organise events, and help raise a positive profile of Beecroft Primary School. All parents and guardians are automatically members of FAB and can offer their time, experience, or suggestions to support the FAB committee. We'd like to introduce our new core team of Karen, Al, Natasha, Shaista, Jo and Brenda - who will be working together behind the scenes, to keep FAB active. A special thank you to all our parents who served refreshments, donated supplies, attended the coffee morning, shared ideas, sorted parent volunteers, put together meeting agendas, school communications and sent updates - it's fabulous teamwork.