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Parents Of Durrington Schools (PODS) Newsletter



Welcome to our first newsletter of the new academic year and a warm “hello” to all our new parents. Please check our webpage on the school website for up to date information of events. and PODS news.

Fundraising...

It seems such a long time ago now, but our annual sponsored bounce was a great success. This event is always popular with the children and we managed to raise just over £950.



We sold ice creams after school during the summer term and at the performances of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat —both very welcome in the heatwave — and sales helped us contribute towards the costs of the Year 2 and Year 6 Leavers' events in both schools.

We are now looking ahead to planning for the next year of fundraising, so if you have any ideas please forward them to PODS@dfed.co.uk

The year ahead...

We are now planning our events for this academic year. We are holding our first meeting on Friday 21st September at 9am, and would love to see some new faces. We are always looking for new Members but don't worry if you can only spare a few hours here and there, there are always lots of different sorts of events over the course of the year where we need some extra help. We would love to hear some new ideas for fundraising events, so come along and see how you could help—we would love to see you there!

Where does the money go...

In the summer term we made a contribution of just under £1,500 to the school for the refurbishment of book corners in many of the classrooms, and to update the seating in the Junior School library. Each class was able to pick just what they needed to make their book corner more inviting and Mrs Jackson and Mrs Redman (our Vice Chair) are pictured here with just some of the rugs, beanbags, cushions, benches, storage and other lovely things chosen by the children.



Mrs Wilby said “We were able to use the fundraising money to make our book corners a more inviting place for children to read. The classes were able to choose their own theme and find furniture to match their design ideas. We are grateful for the contribution our parents and carers make towards fundraising events and to the PODS for organising them.”

Next PODs Meeting—Friday 21st September 2018 at 9.00am

All parents, guardians and carers are welcome to join us for our next meeting. If you would like to get involved with organising and helping with school events please meet at the main school office at 9:00am.

We would love to see you there!