

Friends of East Preston Infant School

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2023

Welcome to the November edition of our FEPIS newsletter. Below you will find details of the events that are planned leading up to Christmas, with the main event being the Christmas Fayre. This is a joint venture between the Infant and Junior Schools, and it will be the first time this has taken place at the Infant school since 2019!

Ghostly Gathering disco update

We were all so pleased that the first school disco of the year was a success! We would like to thank everyone who helped out with the setting up, putting up decorations, donating food, serving food and drink, selling tattoos, glow sticks and lucky dip prizes, as well as tidying away. The children had a great time, and we are excited to announce that with the disco and the colouring competition, just over £630 of profit was raised! We have always had a good turnout with the discos (and the children really enjoy them!) so we will be looking at holding 2 more discos in the Spring and Summer term – dates will be confirmed nearer the time.

What we want to spend the money on...

Since restarting the FEPIS team after the pandemic, we put a lot of the funds towards the updated playtrail installed last year. This year, Mrs New has asked if would like to pay for some new outdoor equipment for the children to use at lunchtimes. These items will include new colourful benches, a picnic table, tuff trays and a selection of outdoor toys. We think this is a brilliant use of money to help support the children in their play at lunchtimes. We will also be donating £250 to each year group to spend throughout the year – this might mean using the money to fund/partially fund a workshop or buy new resources for topics. We will let you know what the money has been spent on!

It is through hosting events that we can afford to help fund the school in this way, so thank you so much for your support – it really does make a difference.

Secretary Update

We are pleased to announce that Kelly (who has a child in Reception) will become our new FEPIS secretary! I will be passing the baton over the next few weeks and I am sure she will do a great job. Welcome to the team!

FEPS Christmas Fayre

Members of FEPIS and FEPJS are busy working together on lots of plans for the Christmas Fayre which will be happening on Friday 1st December 5:30pm-7:30pm at East Preston Infant School. This is going to be a big event and a lot of work is going on behind the scenes so we hope you will be able to attend for some or all of it! We hope everyone has received the letter to explain about what will happen leading up to the Fayre, and if you can help out at all, please return the slip to either the Infant or Junior School office. If you are able to donate a voucher or service to help towards raffle prizes, please let us know via our email address at fepis@epinf.co.uk

Pre-loved uniform sale

FEPIS will be holding a pre-loved school uniform sale in December – date to be confirmed. This is a chance to pick up any additional school uniform for a small donation. Just as a reminder, we also have the green clothing bin located opposite the old Rascals building which you can use to drop off any unwanted clothing. The following items can be accepted:

- Men's ladies' and children's clothing
- Paired shoes
- Handbags, bags, ties and belts
- Bed linen, towels and soft toys

Contact us

If you are interested in joining the FEPIS team, please contact us at fepis@epinf.co.uk. We are also on Facebook and will use this as the main communication point, so please like our page to keep up to date with all announcements.

Thank you for all your continued support – it is much appreciated!

Claire, Becky, Scarlett, Carolina and Sharon The FEPIS team