

JYS Friends Newsletter

October 2020

So, it has been quite a while since I have last had the opportunity to send out a Friends newsletter. I think we can all agree it has been a strange old year and we are all still doing our best to manage through these murky waters. As you can imagine, The JYS Friends have not been able to conduct their business in the way they normally would, and it seems that our normal social events will be restricted for quite some time.

This has saddened us greatly as we have all felt the great community feeling is one of the many things that make JYS so special.

However, we are all still determined that the children will not miss out this year and have already had a Friends meeting on zoom to start planning some fun things for Christmas. Some of the possible events we are looking into are...

- A Christmas fun day (in class bubbles but events running through the day)
- A visit from Father Christmas
- JYS Christmas advent window walk & treasure hunt.
- Christmas cards
- Christmas Raffle

If you have any other ideas or would like to help in some way to prepare any of the activities for the children we would be most grateful! So please email or message us through the Friends Facebook page.

It is quite possible we will still be requiring donations and various things leading up to these events so keep your eyes peeled for further updates.



One of our achievements last year was to install the outdoor stage in the playground. I would like to take this opportunity to say a big big thank you to Lauren Turner and James Cammack for the outdoor stage building and beautiful artwork. Due to weather and other issue's we had to touch it up and wait for some bits to be finished but the end result is fantastic.



Our next project is to update the wet weather boxes in each of the classrooms, which are all in need of some fun new games and activities. We hope one day in the not too near distant future life will begin to take on some kind of normality and we also hope that you all stay safe and well.

Lucy Cammack & the JYS Friends Committee!

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A note from Jess (Treasurer):

Due to lockdown we have missed some valuable fundraising for the school! We are so sad both summer and Christmas fairs have not taken place. With this is mind if you feel you would like to make a donation to the JYS Friends account it will be hugely appreciated! We understand that times are really tough for some at the moment but all amounts makes a difference and will keep the funds topped up so we can continue to fund some amazing experiences and equipment for the children.

Thank you so much for your continued support:

Bank Details: Friends of JYS 20-20-62 40533181 Barclays Bank Plc

Please note due to Covid restrictions we are unable to take any form of cash or cheque donations and can only accept direct bank payments.