

Friends of St Peter's News

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BAZAAR AND CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER NEWS

Ho-Ho-Hopefully you all had a fantastic time at the Christmas bazaar last weekend! A huge thank you for your support – whether you donated items, helped on the day or came and spent your pennies, it's greatly appreciated. Together, we have raised over £1,280 for

our amazing school and created some lovely memories for our children.

Thank you also to Cat Stephens for donating her time to take some lovely festive photographs for families to buy, raising an additional **£235** for the school. Taking our Christmas fundraising

total to over **£1,500** so far! Cat is a multi award winning photographer with a studio in Bampton. You can find out more here: www.catstephensphotography.com ... and we've still got our Santa's Workshop to come, so do watch out for the Parentmail!

Dear Friends of St. Peter's,

Thank you for your amazing contributions to another festive and successful Christmas Bazaar. A great event to round off the year!

It was an especially poignant event for me, as I've decided the time is right to step down as FoSP Chair and trustee. It will be four years in January since I was voted in as Chair and I'd always had in mind that would be a good time to pass on the baton; now even more so with a young baby once again to enjoy!

I've had lots of fun over those four years; enjoying the challenges of registering FoSPs as a charity, organising fundraisers, working alongside fantastic trustees and fundraisers, holding our first AGM, applying for grants, seeing the real benefits FoSP funds provide and most importantly sharing the enjoyment of St Peter's pupils at our fundraisers. However, after a fab four years, it's now time for someone else, who has energy and time, to take over at the helm and move FoSPs forward.

I'd like to wish FoSPs every success next year and beyond, and the trustees best of luck for the future! I will enjoy supporting your events by baking and donating!

If you do get the opportunity to donate your time to FoSPs, in whatever capacity, however big or small, I would encourage you to do so - it's amazingly rewarding and the funds we raise are essential to our school.

Thank you all for your support,

Best wishes

Kerry
FoSPs Chair

On behalf of all the FoSPs, the Trustees would like to thank Kerry for all of her amazing hard work and dedication over the last 4 years. Kerry has put in more hours than you'll ever know to make events work, raise funds and create wide smiles and I'm sure we're all agreed that she's done an amazing job! We're all wishing you well Kerry.

SPECIAL 150TH ANNIVERSARY ST PETER'S TEA TOWELS

We have some lovely commemorative tea towels available for you to buy. They show all the children's self portraits as well as drawings of the staff too. They are priced at just £3.50 each, are great quality and could make lovely Christmas presents. If you would like to buy any, please pop into the school office or they will be available to buy on Fridays in the playground. Payment can be made via direct transfer to the FoSPs bank account or in cash. These tea towels have been designed by Emma Fairclough (who donates her time to create FoSPs newsletters) you can find out more about Emmas amazing design work here: <https://emmadesign.myportfolio.com/>



NOW AVAILABLE!



FABULOUS FUNDING ACHIEVEMENTS

All of the money taken at the Elf Cabin during the Christmas Bazaar (£138.50) will go towards our Laptop Fund, meaning the total now stands at £638.50. We're over half way to funding 3 more laptops to complete a class set.



So far this year, we've already funded the Cornerstones KS2 curriculum software, ice creams for the children at the pantomime and an exciting new double subscription to the popular science magazine 'Whizz Pop Bang' plus engaging and inspiring science resources for all the children to benefit from.

SALE

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM PRE-ORDER SALE

Next week we're having another pre-loved uniform sort through, so watch out for the Facebook post!

You can pre-order your St Peter's branded, burgundy items for the Friday and set aside greys for review. If you're not on Facebook, please drop the office an email with what you are after and we'll try our best!



OTHER WAYS TO HELP:

EASY FUNDRAISING

Help raise funds for school without spending an extra penny... simply by buying your online shopping via 'Easy Fundraising'. Last year, we raised over £180 by using EasyFundraising! There is an easy to use app, which after one off set up (simply select 'St Peter's CE School, Alvescot' as your chosen cause) makes it completely hassle free to raise funds for the school shopping on all your favourite sites (eg, Amazon, Ebay, M&S, Waitrose, Asda...). Alternatively, you can use this link: www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpetersceschoolalvescot/

WWW.STAMPTASTIC.CO.UK

Put an end to missing uniform forever and use a stamp! If you're planning to label new uniform, please have a look at www.stamptastic.co.uk If you quote our school code **OX182PU** on any orders, we also benefit from a commission.

SCHOOL WISHLISTS!

School always love to receive a surprise parcel from Amazon containing something fantastic from one of its Wishlists. Thank you so much to all of those that donated last year. We look forward to helping to fill the KS2 Library further in 2019/20 and helping fund more essential STEM resources. If you'd like to donate items directly to the school via the Wishlists, here are the links:

Amazon literacy wishlist: www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/149BAT5186744/ref=cm_go_nav_hz

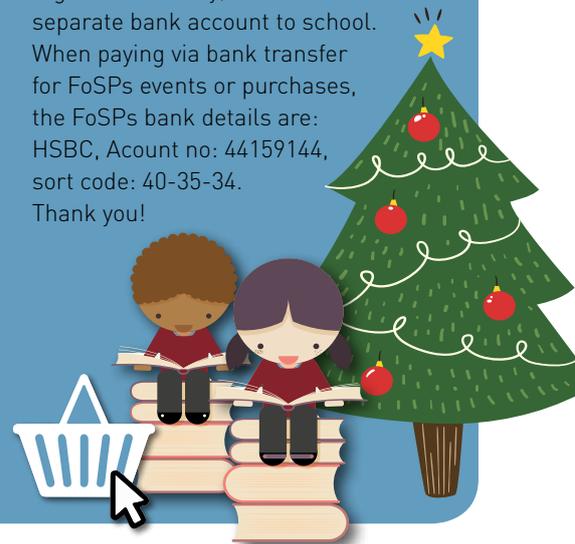
Amazon STEM wishlist: www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/39V8N3RZ9G0TG/ref=cm_go_nav_hz

(For Amazon donations – once you've decided what you would like to buy, please add a note to 'gift options' with your details (for example 'kindly donated

by the Brown Family') so that where possible the school can add an inscription to the item).

FOSPS BANK ACCOUNT REMINDER

Please remember, as a separately registered Charity, FoSPs have a separate bank account to school. When paying via bank transfer for FoSPs events or purchases, the FoSPs bank details are: HSBC, Account no: 44159144, sort code: 40-35-34. Thank you!



THANK YOU

Finally, a big 'thank you' to all of the amazing businesses that donated items for our Christmas bazaar:

Crocodiles of the World,
The Shake Shop, Cotswold
Wildlife Park, Garden Trading,
Morrisons, The Entertainer,
Cotswolds Woollen Weavers,

Waitrose, Sainsburys, Starbucks,
Bampton Garden Plants,
Aston Pottery, Eynsham Hall,
Blenheim Palace, Cotswold
Farm Park, Oxford Playhouse,

The Model Village, Roves Farm,
Cotswold Falconry Centre,
The Theatre Chipping Norton,
Sprouts Play Barn, Asda (West
Swindon), Millets Falconry,

Boden, Poised Performing Arts,
Swindon Wildcats Ice Hockey,
JJ Illustrates and Nicky Tew
Holistic Therapist.

As always, thank you for your continuing support! Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas!

