

NEWS

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Friends of LSS

2019-2020
event dates
will be
announced in
September

Happy Holidays & big thanks!

Events

SALS SHOES COLLECTION

Extended until Friday 6th September

SALS Shoes are a not-for-profit organisation who collect pairs of children's shoes and distribute them in 26 countries including the UK. The charity collects flip flops, sandals, school shoes, slippers, trainers, winter boots, football boots etc. There are 300 million children in the world for whom walking with shoes is a rarity. Without shoes, many children are not permitted to attend school. We have extended our collection of **CLEAN** pre-loved shoes until Friday 6th September. Drop them into the collection box in the School Office Reception area **DURING THE FIRST WEEK BACK**. NOTE: Please attach a £1 donation to each pair of shoes you send into school. This is to cover the cost to SALS for transporting them to their final destination which could be 1000's of miles away. Any shoes that do not have a donation attached or one posted into the FOLSS post box will be donated to our next Bags 2 School collection in November. Thanks for your support.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 11th September 7:30 - 9pm

Text Jo 07814 578718 if you would like to come along.

PERFORMANCE SPACE BUILD & OUTDOOR LEARNING WORKS DAY

Saturday 28th September 10am - 4pm

We need to build a performance stage + seating and clear and dismantle our old poly-tunnel and prepare the site for the new one, which will be erected in the spring. If you can give up an hour of your time we'd really appreciate it. Text Jo if you can help 07814 578718.

BAGS 2 SCHOOL COLLECTION

Friday 29th November 9am

If any of you are having a summer clear out we'd really appreciate any donations of clothing, soft toys, handbags, shoes (paired), etc. (full list on our website folss.org.uk/how-you-can-help/bags-2-school/). Please bring your bags (bin bags will do or pick up a Bags 2 School bag from the FOLSS noticeboard) in September and leave in the School Office Reception area.

Parent's Pin Board THANK YOU!

We've had a very busy academic year and we'd like to say thank you to all of the parents, carers, relatives, friends, staff, pupils and Committee members who have given up their time and their resources, and who've also donated to us throughout this year.

Without you we would not have been able to purchase...

- Circus Skills Workshop Day
- Y6 Leavers Play food & drinks
- Y6 dictionaries & well-being books
- 7 x £50 class donations
- PGL coach hire
- Pool chemicals, testing, utilities bills & pool staff wages
- New fencing, grass seed and exterior paint for Outdoor Learning/EY
- Popcorn Club film purchase & refreshments
- Umbrella Film Licence - 12 months unlimited film showings
- Exterior bin for front of school
- School Disco DJ & refreshments
- 3 x iPads + 16 iPad capacity lockable charging storage cabinet
- Early Years tunnel new storage & poly-tunnel storage unit
- Paint for benches
- Christmas Parties DJ, refreshments, party bags & EY Entertainer
- Pantomime coaches & bottled water for all pupils
- New Elliot Building vinyl & carpet
- £100 donation towards cost of Young Voices coach
- £200 donation towards cost of 'Life Education Bus'
- 6 x Children's 'Litter Picking' Packs (grabbers, vests, gloves)
- School & Early Years Christmas Party presents

We look forward to another great year fundraising for school! If you can help at any of our events (however small your contribution) then we would love to hear from you :) text Jo if you would like to be involved in any way whatsoever. **ALL WELCOME!**

Fundraisers/News




CAN YOU HELP US? Fireworks Night helpers needed

We need stewards to help on the gate and on the field. Because our event has become very popular in the area we need more helpers.

If we do not get enough volunteers to sign up by the end of September we will not be able to run this event,

which will be a great shame as it is a great fundraiser for us. Date TBC likely 7th Nov.

text Jo 07814578718

 **BIG thanks** to the small team who dismantled a **BIG** poly-tunnel

A very small team of regular faces gave up a very hot Saturday to clear and take down a poly-tunnel (that has been kindly donated by Tess Wheeler), load it onto a trailer, transport and offload at School. We would like to thank the following for all their hard work - Mrs. Paget, Mr. & Mrs. Percival, Mr. & Mrs. Byrne, Mr. Jones, Mr & Mrs. Walters, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Webster, Mr & Mrs. Harris (local residents) and Mrs. Wheeler - on site and Mr. Webster & Mr. Russell who helped the team unload. It would have been great to see some more new people involved as we are heavily reliant on the same group of people each time.

POOL MEMBERSHIP

Membership is now only possible if you have a valid First Aid Certificate as we have completed our Resus Classes. If you would like a membership please contact Jo 07814578718.

POOL MEMBERS - REMINDERS

We hope your children have been enjoying the swimming pool. We'd like to remind you of the following for the health and safety of all users.

- 1) HATS MUST BE WORN BY ALL ENTERING THE POOL
- 2) ALL BORROWED HATS RETURNED (or buy from School - £1.80)
- 3) NO JUMPING OFF OF EDGE OF POOL OR POOL STEPS
- 4) NO LENDING OF FOB TO FRIENDS/NON-MEMBERS
- 5) NO MISUSE OF SHOWER - LEFT RUNNING/USED TO WARM UP!
- 6) NO SMOKING/FOOD/DRINK IN POOL AREA
- 7) NO SOILED NAPPIES TO BE LEFT IN CHANGING ROOMS
- 8) GUEST FEES ARE £1 EACH (PAYABLE SEPTEMBER)
- 9) PLEASE SUPERVISE YOUR CHILDREN
- 10) BE CONSIDERATE TO OTHER POOL USERS - NO HARD BALLS/HOGGING THE POOL ETC.
- 11) NO IMAGES OF YOUR/OTHER CHILDREN ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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Need uniform for September?

We have a massive stock

text Jo 07814578718

Our stock from September will also include the NEW STYLE PE Kit. Please leave any donated outgrown uniform & PE kit in the School Office Reception area

HELP!

KS1 COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

The majority of our Committee team are KS2 parents, who in 2-3 years time will be leaving the School. Therefore, it is really important to encourage KS1 parents to get involved now so that FOLSS can continue its great fundraising work in the future. All we ask is that you try and attend a monthly evening meeting as regularly as you can. You get to have a say on how any funds are spent, you get to be involved in your child's time in School and you give up time for a great charity cause. Our next meeting is on 11th September 7:30-9pm in School. If you would like to come along please text Jo 07814578718.

BIG thanks to Y6 parents & pupils

 **Thanks!**

We would like to take the opportunity of thanking the Y6 parents and pupils for all of your support of FOLSS and our events and initiatives over the last 7 years. FOLSS supports Y6 by funding their PGL coach, leavers play &

awards evening buffet and a set of two leaving books given out in the church at the end of the year. This year we decided to swap the English Dictionary for a very useful book about 'Wellbeing', that we hope will prove useful as the children navigate their way through senior school and beyond. We wish all of the Y6 pupils the best of luck in their new schools.

Did you know... all parents of children at the school and Early Years are automatically members of FOLSS*, so please get involved where you can, and help make a positive contribution to the School and your child's time within it.

* You are not Committee members, so you do not have voting/decision making rights except at our AGM.