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Dear Parents and Carers,

As a committee, we thought it would be useful, especially for new families joining our school this year, to share more detail about some of the events and fundraising activities we undertake throughout the year, and how you can join in and help us raise valuable funds for our school.

Easy fundraising

Bagshot School (FOBSA) are registered with *easyfundraising*, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. You can find our easyfundraising page at:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fobsa/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-email1

Ink cartridge recycling

Very soon we will be collecting used computer ink cartridges for recycling. It is an easy way to dispose of your old cartridges in an environmentally friendly way while also raising some money for the school. Please don't throw away your old cartridges!!

<https://www.therecyclingfactory.com/>

Happy bags

Happy bags collect second hand footwear and clothing along with lots of other items. They recycle the donations and give a percentage of the money back to the school.

<https://www.happyschoolbag.co.uk/raise-school-funds-by-donating-reusable-clothing/>

Cake Sales

This year we will be holding two cake sales. These take place after school, normally in the school playground. FOBSA kindly ask for donations whether homemade or shop bought to sell at the cake sale. We ask for them to be dropped off in the morning on the day of the cake sale.

Support FOBSA for free when shopping online with over 500 retailers including Amazon, NEXT, M&S, and John Lewis.

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2nd hand costume sale

This is run in a similar way to the cake sale, however rather than cakes we sell your generous donations of unwanted fancy dress. We typically hold one before the October half term holiday so that you have the chance to get rid of some old costumes and hopefully bag yourself a bargain buying a new one.

Silver Smarties

Just before February half term the children will be given a tube of smarties, allergy dependent or a dietary alternative. These are 100% for the children to eat!! We ask that the children do some jobs over the half term in exchange for some change to put in the empty tube. When the children return from half term they bring their earnings in and these get donated to the school.

Coin Race

Leading up to the coin race, we ask for you to keep hold of any loose change that might be lying around. On the race day we ask that the children bring in whatever they can manage. The six classes have a competition, laying out all their coins in a big long line to see firstly, who's got the longest line, and secondly which class has got the highest value line. The children love this event, as do the staff as it's a great way to sneak in some extra maths work!

Party night/school disco

This is a traditional school family disco held in the school hall with a DJ, music and dancing. We have stalls, where the children can spend some of their pocket money on sweets, glitter tattoos, pocket money toys etc. The party night ticket includes a drink and snack for the children. The event is not a drop off, it is for a parent to attend with their child. (Parents are not required to buy a ticket) There is a bar where parents can buy alcoholic drinks, soft drinks and snacks.

Quiz night

This is an adults' only event!! Most recently we have a team for each class and a staff team. If there are more people than can fit in a team it is possible to make an additional team. The quiz night is held in the school hall. There is a bar where you can buy alcoholic drinks and soft drinks, you bring your own snacks/food to this event.

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Easter hunt

On the last day of term before the Easter holidays, we hold an Easter hunt on the school field after school. You buy a ticket in advance then come to the entrance of the school field, collect your sheet and start your hunt! There are prizes for successful hunters!

Volunteers

We are always looking for volunteers to help us run events. You may not have the capacity to join the committee, but there are many other ways you can help us. We always need help, preparing for events, running a stall and tidying away. Please do not feel you need to give up hours of your time, if everyone helps a little, we can run so many more events for the children. Unfortunately, without your help, events just can't take place. In the run up to key events like the fairs and party nights we send out an electronic rota, asking for volunteers to sign up for a slot...please look out for these and sign up if you can.

If you would like to volunteer and you are unsure what is involved please speak to one of us, or catch Miss Aldred, our Headteacher, on the gate.

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