SOUTHWAY HSA NEWSLETTER

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Diary Dates

Disco - Years 3 / 4 Friday, 13th March 2015 @ 5.00 pm - 6.00 pm

Disco - Years 5 / 6Friday, 13th March 2015

@ 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm

Quiz Night Friday, 24th April 2015 @ 7.30 pm

Summer Fayre Saturday, 27th June 2015

Fundraising Update

Happy New Year. Last term was yet again a busy time for the HSA, with new members joining the Committee and successful fundraising events being held.

Our events last term raised a total of £2,170. This included a cake sale, discos and Advent Fayre.

As a result we have been able to make the following donations to the school:

- £1,450 contribution towards the Year 3 undercover area.
- £161 for Astro turf for the bird hide.
- -£137 for plants & chalk replenishment.

A big thank you to all the families who supported our events, as well as to the local businesses and our school clubs who generously donated prizes.

Our events would not be able to go ahead without such support ... more about this later!

Fundraising Goals - 2015

It is our aim during the Spring and Summer term to raise at least £6,000 to enable the school to further develop the outdoor learning environment.

This will include developing the section around the bird hide as well as the creation of a storytelling area by the sheds near the playground.

We have several events planned to achieve our goal so please encourage friends and family to support us as much as possible.

easyfundraising

One easy way you may be able to help us raise money is by signing up to easyfundraising. There is no cost and no hidden catches. Just raise money if you shop on line at 1,000's of on-line stores including Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, Argos, and even many holiday companies.

Chair: Shuna China

Vice Chair: Michelle McDougall Treasurer: Teresa Langley Secretary: Gemma Wallace

All you need to do is visit

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/southwayhsa

and follow the instructions to register. Then every time you shop, access the online stores via easyfundraising.

Over the last few years we have raised over £600. So help raise money & sign up today!

New Facebook Page

If you use Facebook, please like our new Facebook page. Search for 'Southway Home School Association'. We will use the page to update on our fundraising targets, events and hopefully reach a wider audience.

We will of course continue to produce Newsletters (paper and email copies), as well as updating the Home School Association section on the school website.

HSA Logo Competition

In February we will be sending out a competition to all the children inviting them to design a new logo for the HSA. The logo will be used on all our communication as well as on our Facebook Page. Entries will be judged by Mr Newbold, Mr Izard (Chair of Governors) and Shuna China (HSA Chair). The winning entry will receive £50 for their class to spend on resources as well as seeing their design used.



Everything we raise is for the benefit of all the children at school.

Parental support & ideas needed

Last term several parents joined the committee and others offered their help and support at events. However, we still need more parents/carers to give up a little of their time to help make our events a success, for the benefit of all our children at Southway.

This help could come in different ways:

- Joining the committee
- Helping at events
- Making cakes
- Approaching local businesses / employers / contacts for support (ie raffle prizes, sponsorship, donations)
- Suggesting ideas for new events or refreshing existing events

The commitment need not be onerous or time consuming and can in fact be fun!

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 10th February at 8.00pm at 'The Woolpack', please pop along if you are interested in joining the team.

Please take a moment to consider the questions below and if able please return the slip to the school office, via the classteachers, with your comments and indication of any support you may be able to provide.

THANK YOU

Please complete and return to the school office by 12 th February 2015 HSA Feedback
Child's Name
I/We would attend/support the following HSA events in the Spring / Summer Term :
Cake sales \square Quiz Night \square Summer Fayre \square Kids' Disco \square
I would be willing to make cakes for a cake sale I would be willing to help out at future events (ie setting up / manning stall / clearing up) I would like to join the committee Suggestions for future fundraising events:
Name
Contact telephone number
Email address