



## FABS Update Newsletter

Thursday 6th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to a special edition of the school newsletter, dedicated entirely to the FABS and the work they undertake to support the school.

Did you know that the FABS...

- Raise money for children in school right now - the money you help to raise goes straight back in to help your children
- Raise money that is set aside for the pool each year, and is the main reason we can still offer such a fantastic resource
- Encompass every part of the school - we are all members!
- Provide activities not just for the school, but the wider community, such as the Christmas Fair

Last year they organised, among other events:

- The Christmas Fair
- A Family Sports Evening
- The Halloween Disco
- After-school cake and ice cream sales
- Refreshments at several events

And helped fund, amongst other things:

- The Reception class refurbishment
- New Maths equipment for all classes
- The Christmas online pantomime
- A new portable PA system for the school
- Costumes and stage equipment for the Year 4 play
- Resources for each year group
- The swimming pool (including volunteering so it could open over the holidays!)

But often the burden of organising things falls on the shoulders of a very small group of people.

The FABS have asked me to let you know that they desperately need more help with their work - whether it's baking a cake, providing practical skills or helping organise a bingo evening - there is a role for everyone, even if you are only able to volunteer for an hour!

The FABS will be holding a 'drop in' on **Friday 14th October** straight after school in the hall, and ask that you pop in to find out about what they do and to see if there is anything you may be happy to help with, even if it's just an hour's volunteering, or baking a cake - the FABS, the school, and most importantly, our children, would still appreciate it!

### Dates and Events Update

Date	Time	Event	Notes
Wednesday 12th October	3.30pm	FABS AGM	A brief meeting to review the previous year and set targets for the next few months
Friday 14th October	2.45pm	Reception parents meet-up	Come along for a cup of tea and a slice of cake before pick-up - a chance to meet other parents and some of the FABS team!
Friday 14th October	3.15pm	Year 3 cake sale	Year 3 parents and carers we would really appreciate donations of cakes from you (home-made or shop bought are fine!). Did you know we sell around 120 cakes every cake sale?! All proceeds from this sale go directly to Year 3!
Friday 14th October	3.15pm	FABS meet and greet	Pop into the hall to find out more about the FABS and perhaps see if you can help - perhaps you have a skill, or an hour to spare at some point this year..?
Wednesday 19th October	6-8pm	Halloween Bingo	We know that lots of people will be buying tickets for this event - if you could spare any time to help with setting up/running refreshments/putting away, please do let us know!
Friday 25th November*	5pm - 7pm	Christmas Fair	If you would like a stall to sell your own products, please let the FABS or the school office know <i>*please note this is a change to the previously advertised date</i>