



Ettington Church of England
Primary School

Dear Parents

We are delighted to share that the FoES have had a successful year of fund raising with many more new and exciting events planned for the rest of the 2018/19 school year. We thank you all for your support at these events and would now like to invite you to share your thoughts and ideas on how you suggest we support the school with the funds we have.

FoEs currently have around £8,700 in the bank account to spend which was raised during the last school year at events such as the Festive Fun and Games, Race Night, Royal Wedding and Sports Day Refreshments, The Big Summer Camp, World Cup Nights and all the regular Cake Sales, Discos and 100 Club tickets amongst other initiatives. We also have funds due from the Rainbow Run.

We really appreciate your help and support at these events, however that may be – help before, during or after the event, attending them, donations of equipment or a service to help us reduce event running costs, even just sending in £1 with your child for these fundraisers. Every penny counts and so far we are proud to have been able to support the school in many ways.

A few projects funded by the funds raised by FoES this past year have been:

- £500 to each class for the teachers to use to improve/add resources (£3000)
- Listening Stations and Audio Booth (£600)
- 6 x Classroom Visualisers (£1692)
- Sensory Garden (£62)
- Library Shelving (£105)
- Defibrillator Cabinet Cost (£275)

We also part funded the whole school panto trip last year and will be doing again this year to the tune of £1600. We have just agreed to fund two days of fun workshops (Indian Drumming /Dance) for the children to attend during school to enhance the curriculum at a cost of £879. £3000 has also been put aside for Forest school.

As you can see the funds really do help enhance the school experience for your child and we hope you see the value of the events we lay on. We are trying to be creative so events are novel and fun, as well as being inexpensive. We are also working with the school to ensure that in any given month we don't clash with a school initiative and parents aren't asked to dig in their pockets too often. It takes a lot of work to raise such large sums with small events (Teacher in Jail) raising around £100, medium (Disco) £400 and the large events (Race Night) up to £1800.

If you could spare a few minutes to complete the form and return to the school office, it would be appreciated. All suggestions will be discussed by the FoES committee and Mr Johnson and feedback on how funds have been spent will be communicated via the FoES Facebook page and posted on the noticeboard on the playground.

How would you suggest the funds raised by the FoES are used to support the school?

Do you have an idea for a fundraiser you would like to share?

Would you like to see more/less of any particular kind of event?

Would you have a particular skill or a business that could be useful at a FoES event that you would be willing to share? If so please add contact details.

Would you be interested in joining the FoES on an ad hoc basis to help whenever you were able to as a volunteer? If so please add contact details.

Thank you
The FoES Team