

F.O.L.L.S.

Friends of Long Lawford School

NEWSLETTER

May 2009

This newsletter is a new idea to help raise the profile and everyone's awareness of F.O.L.L.S. It is hoped that the newsletter will be produced every three months and will keep you up to date with what we are planning, who is doing what and more importantly how the money we raise is being spent for the benefit of the children at Long Lawford School.



Many thanks to everyone who supported the recent Easter Bingo event.

We hope that you really enjoyed the evening. We managed to raise a total of £446.00.

COMPETITION!!!!

We are to create a new look and feel to F.O.L.L.S. and we would like the children's help to do this.

We are looking for a new logo and slogan that truly represents the work that we do.

With this in mind we are launching a competition, asking the children to design a new logo and to write a slogan to go with it. Entries should be submitted by 25 June 2009, they can either be emailed to the editor or given to Mrs Griffiths in the school office.

Please make sure you put your name and contact details on your entry. The winner will be announced at the Summer Fair.

The Friends of Long Lawford School (F.O.L.L.S.) is a support group to the school.

We formed in 1998 – just a few mums who realised that school budgets left no room for the treats that can make a difference.

With the help of parents, teachers and the children themselves, we have raised approximately £47,000 so far to provide many items for the school. These have included items like: Multi-point CD Players, Gym Equipment, Sound system for the main hall, Refurbishing the old library, Contribution towards a Data Projector, Blinds for the Junior block cloak room, Friendship benches for the playground.

Smaller items include school home readings bags for every child, Replacement and additional achievement trophies, Art trips for some children, French audio tuition course, Athletic vests, Sports day refreshments, Playground equipment, Classroom wipe board, Visiting Entertainers, New books for the Library.

One of our most rewarding events each year is the Christmas trip to the Pantomime. This has proved a roaring success for several years running. We have such a sense of achievement to hear the children talking about it for days afterwards – a sure sign that they thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Likewise with the provision of coaches for the school trips in the summer term – F.O.L.L.S. gives the children the 'treats' of school life and relieves the parents of some of the cost involved.

F.O.L.L.S. meet about once a month during term time to pool ideas and arrange events. We are always in need of new members and helpers so if you would like to find out more about us or perhaps join us one evening, please contact us.

F.O.L.L.S. has recently agreed to increase it's subsidy for this year's school trips.

F.O.L.L.S. will now contribute £300 to each year group towards their school trip this year. This will enable all the children to enjoy a good day out, but keeping the cost to parents manageable.

This is a new publication, if you have any ideas to improve the newsletter or ideas for fundraising, please email the editor at:
f.o.l.l.s.newsletter@skv.com



Dates for your diary

21/5/09 @ 7pm - F.O.L.L.S. committee meeting

w/c 15/6/09 - School disco

4/7/09 - 6pm – 8pm Summer Fete

5/7/09 Duck Race