

Hello, Hello and welcome back to the new school year. The FUBS team are super excited about all the events that are coming up this year.

Last school year, the FUBS team raised a whopping £13,808 for the school!

This amazing amount was raised from events like the Summer and Christmas fair, the pumpkin trail, gift sales, ice cream sales, quiz night, uniform sales and bags2school.

This money has helped your children and the school by:

- Buying books and resources for each class for themed book corners.
- Purchasing Christmas lunch crackers for every child.
- £3,000 towards the new reading garden in the quad and equipment for the revamp of the small garden on the playground.
- £500 for new playground equipment for all children to enjoy.
- £4,000 towards WOW days across the whole school including Arts week and Maths week. As well as a contribution to leavers packs.
- £600 towards Year 6 enrichment Shakespeare trip (also partially funded by Deutch bank.) This amount will be given going forward for a specific enrichment trip for each year 6 group in the future.
- £1,000 towards IT equipment in school.

## School Projects we are fundraising for:

This year the school would like FUBS to fundraise to update the outside area by Year 1 and 2, to develop continuous provision in Key Stage 1, and contribute towards a canopy to make it an all-weather area. They are also keen for an undercover area for Year 5 and 6, with seating for the children to eat their lunch.

## Thank you Team!

We wanted to put out a big shout out to the teams that help make our events such a success though the year!

- Thank you Helen and Coralie our Co-Chairs
- Thank you Steph and Jo our team treasurer and secretary
- Thank you Lou in the school office for all your help with the events
- Thank you Ben and Lucy and your awesome bar team! We know how well the drinks go down in Beeding!
- Thank you Nikki and your tea tent team! Always serving the best refreshments!
- Thank you Tom and your BBQ team for selling the best burgers and bangers!

- Thank you Charlotte for all your amazing gift sales last year!
- Thank you Hannah and team for the most fantastic Christmas Grotto
- Thank you MJ for all your social media updates

And finally thank you everyone else on the committee and involved in anyway. It really does take a team to make it all happen. If you have an interest in joining one of these teams just let us know!

## **Changes in FUBS**

We have been so lucky to have such a dedicated team to keep these events running and raising money for the school. FUBS raises great sums of money to benefit our children, thanks largely to the generosity of family members who are willing to donate their time and skills.

Unfortunately, our fantastic Co-Chair Helen Appleyard (after 7 years of volunteering) and Co-Chair Coralie Wilmot (after 3 years of volunteering) will be stepping down in November from their roles. We are hoping some more of our team will step up so watch this space...

## Events coming up:

We hope you can join us for some of the exciting events we have planned for the rest of the school year, these are:

<u>Pumpkin Trail logistics meeting - @ The Rising Sun Tuesday 17th October 19:45</u> Meeting to finalise the set up for the pumpkin trail, everyone welcome.

<u>The Pumpkin Trail - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October</u> 5:30-7pm £1 to enter a pumpkin. Prizes for the best in each year group.

<u>Meet the team</u> If you are interested in having a chat with one of the team come and see us in the hall on Parents evening either 31st October and 1st November.

<u>FUBS AGM Meeting</u> - Thursday 9th November @ The Rising Sun 19:45. This is where we will appoint the new Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Committee members. Everyone welcome

<u>Christmas Gift sale (in school) Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November</u> Look out for the form sent home to order your gifts.

<u>Christmas Market - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December</u> 5:30-8pm Come and join us for some festive fun, meet Santa in the grotto and maybe win the raffle!

If you have any questions or have any great ideas and would love to get involved please contact us on **FUBScontact@gmail.com** or find us on Facebook (1) Friends of Upper Beeding School (FUBS) PTA | Facebook for further information.

With thanks,

The FUBS team