



Parents' & Friends' Association Summer 2010 Newsletter

The Curry Night

After a postponement due to the snow the first ever PFA Curry Night was held on the 12th March. With a huge turnout the room at Fulneck Golf Club had a party atmosphere; Harry Hanson's band 'Poaching for Mammoths' provided the musical entertainment. The evening was a huge success; the PFA raised £600 and Harry's Band raised £110 for Martin House.

Easter Uniform & Toy Sale

The uniform sale was held after the Junior School Easter Service in the East Hall. It raised £143, with the chocolate fountain providing a tasty treat. The toy sale was to raise funds to buy trikes and bikes for the nursery children. We had so many trikes and bikes donated in good condition that they were given directly to nursery. The money from the toy sale itself, £87, has been earmarked by Nursery for an outdoor project being undertaken later in the year.



Junior School Sports Equipment

We replaced some aging Junior School cricket, athletics and rounders kit earlier this term; it has already been put to good use in PE lessons and matches.



Spring Ball

On the 15th May the PFA hosted the Annual Spring Ball at the Cedar Court Hotel in Bradford. The event was very well supported with tables made up of Senior Parents, Junior Parents, Staff, Governors and guests. With the 'Sparkling Reception' came an opportunity to catch up with acquaintances, old and new.



The Ball Room decked out in the colours of the 'Help for Heroes' Charity

After a warm welcome by Mr Chris Stern, and a hearty 3 course meal, Miss Weston from **Help for Heroes** gave an informative and sometimes heart wrenching presentation explaining the inception and subsequent work undertaken by this much appreciated charity. We are pleased to announce that a donation of nearly £400 will be given to them to help with their work.

The live music was provided by the band **Munch**; they proved to be a popular choice, and the dance floor was packed during both their sessions.

Thanks to your generosity of raffle and auction donations there were a couple of tables packed with an array of raffle prizes. Thanks also must go to Mr Needham and Mr Goulbourn for the auctioneering, the bidding was frenetic, with hard fought over prizes included a holiday villa in Florida, a meal cooked by Mr Kernohan and Mr Needham as a personal trainer.

Nearly £3600 was raised for Sports Hall equipment. The night proved to be a thoroughly enjoyable occasion and even had Reception Class buzzing on Monday morning!

Bags 2 School

We had the usual good response to our Bags 2 School appeal with many bags being donated. We will report on the money received in the next newsletter. Once again we would like to thank you for your support. Please don't forget to save your old clothes, shoes, bags and textiles for the next one on 16th November.

Summer Term Events

17th June - Kindergarten Sports Day – Serving Strawberry Teas; volunteers needed.

18th June - Junior Sports Day & Fun Day – Serving Strawberry Teas followed by parent and child races, 5 –a-side football tournament, fun stalls, BBQ (including vegetarian & Halal food) and Goodall's ice cream; volunteers and participants needed. Please contact the PFA or Mr Rushfirth if you would like to make up a 5-a-side team. The funds raised at this event are for additional interactive white boards for junior school.

22nd June – Senior Sports Day – Serving Strawberry Teas; volunteers needed.

1st July - Golf Day at Fulneck Golf Club – Sports Hall Fund Event - Golf, 3 course dinner & presentation. Bookings can be made via school. We are also looking for raffle prizes and sponsors for the remaining 9 holes @ £50 per hole, 9 holes have already been sponsored by Markgroup Energy Conservation.

2nd July - Fashion Show and Pre-owned Designer Clothing Sale – If you have outgrown designer clothing you would like to sell please get in touch. Also see the latest fashion in clothing and accessories. We will be painting nails and dressing hair during the evening. Refreshments will be available throughout the event. The funds raised at this event

Senior School Reward Trip

On June 18th the winning forms in this year's merit competition will be visiting Lightwater Valley.

Year 7R were the winners in Key Stage 3 with a total of 1106 merits, a major contribution came from two gold merit award winners, **Emmerson Maud** and **Meren Wainhouse**, and year **10S** proved triumphant in Key Stage 4 with a total of 745 merits.

Well done to the winning forms.

Lower Sixth Adventure Quest Day

On the 14th June the lower sixth students will be in for a challenging team building day in Buxton. They will be undertaking some thrilling activities including the Leap of Faith and Jacob's Ladder. Good Luck!

We hope that all the students have a fantastic time and look forward to some first hand accounts and photos for the next newsletter.

Keep an eye on the school website for the latest event updates. The PFA pages can be found in the parents section at www.fulneckschool.co.uk If you send your email address and you will get a copy of all the PFA correspondence.

Finally we would like to give a huge **THANK YOU** to our retiring Chair, Kirsty Tempest, and Vice Chair, Elaine Eamonsen. They have given 10 years of much appreciated service to the PFA, with the last 2 years as Chair and Vice-Chair. Thank you!!

Autumn Term Events

1st October – PFA AGM at 6.30pm, Quiz Night & Buffet from 7pm at Fulneck Golf Club – Test your knowledge and pit your wits against the school's winning quiz team at this new social event and find out more about the PFA.

Uniform Sale – after Harvest Festival

16th November - Bags 2 School

27th November - Christmas Craft Fayre
Come along to a new look Christmas Craft Fayre, with all the family favourites like Santa's Grotto, tombola and fill-a-jar, but with craft activities for junior children whilst waiting to see Santa and for the first time crafts for older children, including jewellery making and t-shirt painting. We will also have the Bouncy Castle and many more activities in the Gym. Stalls designed and run by the Senior School Children are 'a must see' also. Finally don't miss the extra special raffle prize of a Fortnum & Mason Christmas Hamper.

13th December – Fulneck School Talent show – this event will be hosted by the PFA for the first time. Knowing how talented Fulneck pupils are we expect the standard to be very high. More information will be available soon. The funds raised at the event will be for Senior School.

Can you get matched funding from your employer? If so, would you like to talk to us about how the PFA could benefit.

Can you help?

We are putting together a database of volunteers who we can call upon when help is needed at events, whether it be serving Strawberry Teas at Sports Days or manning a stall at the Christmas Craft Fayre. You would be under no obligation to help at every event but if you think you could help from time to time please forward your email address to pfa@fulneckschool.co.uk

How to contact us

You can contact the PFA through the in tray at the School Finance Office or you can email us at pfa@fulneckschool.co.uk