

# Wherry Friends Association

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Friends Association

## A Note from the Chair.

Slightly late, but HAPPY NEW YEAR to everyone! I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break with however you celebrate Christmas. We did very little but all managed to have fun in our own crazy way and most importantly survived!

Plenty of things have been going on behind the scenes since last term including over 20 funding applications having been filled in and sent off, for amounts ranging from £200 - £10,000. We shall keep you posted if any are successful.

It has been lovely to meet so many faces at the WFA coffee mornings. The next one, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February, Rachel Quick is hoping to come along and talk about future school holidays and what the best way to gather all of the parents views on holidays. So, if you can make it for a chat, we would love to see you.

## The Library

WOW we have had so many books donated. The library is now full and the school is having to buy more shelves. They have also employed a Librarian from Norfolk Libraries to help sort the books and get the library up and running correctly. It is so exciting that the school now has a working library! None of this would have been possible without everyone's support; THANK YOU!!!!

## 50 / 50 Club

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January we had our first 50 / 50 Draw. We used a random number generator and the three winners were are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize (no. 27) £23.50: Jamie Tyson
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize (no. 14) £15.00: Lorraine Cason
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize (no. 4) £8.50: Danielle Tedo



At the start of January Snelling held their AGM. They invited us to go along and pitch against two other charities for £2000. Sarah Glew went along and did an awesome presentation about Sensory Processing and the affects it has on children with autism.

We asked for £2000 which we could put towards one of the two Sensory Room. 10 days later we received a cheque for £4000.

Sarah did a truly amazing job. Not only managing to get twice as much as what was available but also for doing some super autism awareness!!

Lorraine has very kindly donated her winnings back to the WFA – thank you!!

It is never too late to join the 50 / 50 Club. It is available to all parents, staff, family and friends. All the information and applications forms can be found online or get in touch with Anna our 50 / 50 Coordinator.

50-50club@wherryfriendsassociation.co.uk

Each ticket costs £2 and you can have up to 5 tickets each. You can pay monthly by standing order or pay yearly by cash or cheque.

## Exciting Times

During the Christmas Break various things were ordered for the school. We know how little there is outside for all the children and we know how much they want things for the playground.

We are still going to try and raise £30,000 for the Bespoke Wherry Boat because it is amazing, and the children will all love it but this will take time and the children needed things now.

So, we ordered two outdoor table tennis tables, 10 Didi Cars, two football goals and more balls than the school know what to do with. We have also order two picnic benches which will be arriving soon.

## Bags 2 School

We have signed up to the Bags 2 School scheme. Many of you will have come across this before but if you haven't it's a great way to raise some funds for school. Everyone has been sent home with a bag with this newsletter. The more we collect the more money that Bags 2 School will donate to us. If you need more than one bag, you can use bin liners etc, don't worry about having to use the official bags. *(A list of what can and cannot be put in the bags is on a separate sheet of paper.)*

## And Finally.....

A massive thank you to Diane, who organised a Christmas Tombola at her hairdressers "Hair by Diane" for The Wherry Friends Association. She raised a staggering £532.21 for us. Thank you Diane so much for your amazing support.



## Quiz Night

The WFA are holding a Quiz Night on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.30pm.

This will take place at the Harford Community Centre (next door to Asda on Hall Rd). Tickets will be £5 per person and tables of up to 6 people.

This is as much about getting together and having some fun as it is about raising money.

If you cannot get a table together please don't let this stop you from coming. We are very happy to put people together.

More details will follow in the next week BUT if you want tickets please let us know. Official booking forms will be sent out very soon!