## FRIENDS IN PERRYFIELDS INFANT SCHOOL

# Newsletter Sept 2016



## WELCOME

Welcome to the first FIPS (Friends in Perryfields) newsletter of the year. We would firstly like to welcome all new parents / carers and for those who have never heard of FIPS, we organise fundraising events for the school. Every parent / carer who has a child at the school is welcome to be a member.

There is a 'lead' team of four, Paula Shaikhly, Sarah Burton, Leanne Spall and Netty Cracknell. The FIPS treasurer is Lindsey Phillips. As a group we organise the dates of the activities but on the day it is up to parents like you to help make it happen. You are all welcome to come to a FIPS meeting and meet the 'leads', find out what we do and become a FIPS member.

At the monthly FIPS meetings we discuss any new ideas, talk about what the FIPS money can be used for in the school with the head teacher, Mrs Reid, and plan any fundraising events in more detail. We would love to see you at our first meeting. Please come and see what we do and how you can help, this can be as little or a much as your daily timetable allows you! We have full time mums in the group to full time workers and everything in between! All are welcome. As we meet in the family room, there is also an area for pre-schoolers to play and they are more than welcome to these meetings! If you would like to be involved but can't make the first meeting, please give your email address to the office to be included on our mailing list.

The FIPs leads!

Paula, Sarah, Leanne and Netty

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

More dates will be added as they are agreed

- Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Sept: McMillan Coffee Morning
- Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Oct: First FIPS meeting of the year. Meet in reception area at 2pm. EVERYONE welcome.
- Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Oct: Movie Night for year 1 and 2 after school.
- Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas fete after school.
- Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec: Sparkly disco TBC.
- Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Jun: Inflatables day (1<sup>st</sup> choice), 23<sup>rd</sup> June backup date).



## **MONEY RAISED**

With all your generous help and efforts we were able to raise a huge amount of money last year:



£7024

Amazing... THANK YOU! Previous money has paid for new school books, interactive white boards, hall blinds, ipads and playground equipment to name a few. To continue to give our children the best facilities we can please consider helping FIPS as we cannot do this without the help and support of parents and carers.

Any questions please speak to a member of the FIPS team and we hope to see you on 7<sup>th</sup> Oct at the first FIPS meeting at 2pm.

### **FUNDRAISING**

#### **Autumn Term:**

**Ultimate Plum Pudding**: In time for Christmas we will be giving everyone the opportunity to purchase their own Perryfields plum pudding, with a design created by the children. Details to follow.

Christmas Cards: Children will be able to design a Christmas card in school, which you will have the opportunity to order through FIPS. Details to follow.

## Throughout the year:

Water Bottles: Non-leak water bottles in a variety of colours are available to purchase from the office for £1.90 each.

**Co-op Cards**: For those who shop at the local Co-op please pick up a community card which will give the dividend of your shopping back to the school. The cards are available in the school reception.

Name It Labels: If you are ordering uniform labels, you can raise funds for Perryfields Infant School. Order through www.nameitlabels.co.uk and select Perryfields Infants as your chosen charity. We receive a percentage of sales.

Mobile Phone/Ink Cartridge/ CDs/DVDs/Games: If you have any old mobile phones (working and non-working), used INKJET cartridges or old CDs, DVDs, console games please place them in the relevant box on the desk in school reception. We are able to raise money for our school in recycling/selling.