WISPA Newsletter

Fundraising for Westfields Infant School



A warm welcome to new parents and those returning, we hope your little ones have settled in well! During the last school year we managed to raise over £17,000. This is a record total and we could not have achieved this without everyone's support. We have a whole range of events lined up this term, it's going to be fun filled with a lot of activities for the children to look forward to, so make sure you take note of the dates below! All event/fundraising information is posted onto Facebook – make sure you're following us at Parents of Westfields Infant School (Run by WISPA) for the latest!

What does the money go towards?

As for the past few years we are continuing to save for the toilet refurbishment. In the meantime, we have enabled the school to purchase brand new blinds throughout! Each year we fund the text messaging service and the school have just launched a new reading scheme this year that we are looking to help fund.

5 Oct	WISPA Xmas planning meeting
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- **7 Oct** Mad Hair Day
- **10-14 Oct** Silver Coin Challenge
- **14 Oct** Cake sale hosted by Woodpecker
- **4 Nov** Cake sale hosted by Robin
- **12 Nov** WISPA Parties
- **18 Nov** Quiz Night
- **18 Nov** Mufti (non-uniform) Day
- **2 Dec** Christmas Fair
- **15 Dec** Secret Santa

Other ways you can fundraise

Second Hand Uniform

We have a wide selection of good quality second hand uniform for sale! Please complete the Google Form to make requests. We also accept donations.

https://forms.gle/s8iAbz54ty412qbR8

The Giving Machine

If you shop online at retailers such as Boots, Tesco, Etsy, M&S (and thousands more) please make sure you're signed up to <u>www.thegivingmachine.co.uk</u> Select 'Wispa Friends of Westfields Infant School' and a % of every purchase will go towards our fundraising!

Amazon Smile

Shopping on Amazon? Make sure you set-up AmazonSmile. This can be done through the Amazon App by going to Setting/AmazonSmile and selecting Wispa Friends of Westfields Infant School, or by going to www.smile.amazon.co.uk



Match Funding



Match Funding is a way of maximising funds raised and a corporate arrangement where companies pledge to donate to a charitable organisation relating to the amount their employee donates to or raises for the organisation.

How?

Organisations may match funds in a variety of ways, such as;

- Time donated by their staff for voluntary work
- A donation made to the charity
- Matching funds raised from a sponsored event or a specific activity
- Gifts in kind i.e. donating equipment or services

Did you know that Match Funding accounts for almost half of the money we raise each year? Does the company you work for donate to charitable organisations?

If so please check if they will Match Fund a sum that you donate or raise for the school! If you're not sure whether or not your company match funds, speak to HR or your line manager. If you would like any further information or think your company might be interested in Match Funding please contact us at <u>wispacommittee@gmail.com</u>

We need your help!

Even if your company does not have a Match Funding scheme, they may still be able to support us in other ways such as prize donations for our Raffles or sponsoring our events.

Maybe you have your own business and wish to donate goods or gift vouchers for prizes by way of support... Maybe you work for a food retailer and have a staff discount to help us purchase the sweets and treats for the sale...

...we'd love to hear from you!

