



# The Forest School

**Every Child, Every Chance**

15 January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

## **SPORT AND PLAYGROUND FACILITIES PROJECT – FUNDRAISING**

Further to my letter in October regarding our fundraising campaign for new sport and playground facilities, I am pleased to be able to give you an update. I would also like to thank you for your support with this campaign. We have raised funds for our project from the following events:-

- Bags2Schools - £210
- Sales at Harrogate Round Table Bonfire event - £590
- Donation from Harrogate Round Table Bonfire Event – amount to be confirmed
- Local Lotto – current ticket sales will provide over £1100 per annum
- Give As You Live - £1495 to date
- Christmas Fair - £1700
- Donations from Christmas events - £170
- Donations from parents/supporters - £520
- Dress Down Day - £114
- Marquis of Granby pub in Knaresborough has held a raffle to help us with our fundraising – amount to be confirmed.

This is an excellent start to our campaign, and I have given details below of ways in which you can continue to support us. Many thanks also to our volunteers who have helped us at the above events, giving their time and enthusiasm. We will of course continue to fund raise ourselves whilst also making application to the various funding schemes and charitable trusts available to help us achieve our target.

**LOCAL LOTTO - <https://www.thelocalotto.co.uk/support/the-forest-school>**

**You can support us by playing the Local Lotto, school receive 50p from each ticket purchased. THE LOCAL LOTTO** is a weekly lottery that raises money for good causes in the Harrogate District. Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 per week. Each ticket has a **1 in 50** chance to win a prize each week, with a top prize of £25,000! That's a better chance of winning than the National Lottery or the Health Lottery! It is also possible to buy lottery gift vouchers and organise a syndicate. Our supporters have won small prizes on 5 occasions so far!

## **KNARESBOROUGH BED RACE – VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY**

Following our success last year, when we won the 'Fastest Newcomer' award, we are entering a team into the bed race again this year. This will be held on **Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup>**. Nearer the time we will contact you regarding volunteer pupils being part of the parade through Knaresborough, and also advise you of any sponsorship opportunities. We are also seeking a

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**VOLUNTEER ADULT** to be a marshal on the day, and to attend the briefing meeting on a date to be confirmed before the event. If you would like to volunteer for this, please contact Nikki Morgan or Jill Bryant via the school office. Please put the date in your diary as it is a fantastic family event to attend.

## MELON HOLIDAYS

One of our parents is the owner of Melon Holidays, and has very kindly offered to make a £10 donation for each booking made by friends or families of The Forest School. More details can be found on the attached leaflet.

## ONLINE SHOPPING – Home or Workplace purchasing

Raise FREE funds for The Forest School, Knaresborough every time you shop online, whether at home or at work. You can support us by shopping via Give as you Live and each purchase you make will raise money for the school! This will cost you nothing.

<https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/forestschoolfund>

Or for Amazon purchases - <https://smile.amazon.co.uk>

## BAGS2SCHOOLS

We have arranged another collection date for **7<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020** so please save your old clothes, shoes and textiles to help raise funds and also save items going to landfill. Collection bags will be sent home nearer the time, or if you are having a post Christmas clear out and can't wait for the BAGS2SCHOOL bag please just send items in using a bin liner.

## SCHOOL WEBSITE

If you would just like to make a donation towards this project – you can visit the home page of the school website <http://forest-n-yorks.sch.uk/>.

We will keep you informed of our progress, and let you know of any other opportunities that you could become involved in. If you have any questions about this project, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you once again for all your support.

Yours sincerely



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