



The Forest School
Every Child, Every Chance



11 January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

I am writing to give you an update on the recent fundraising we have achieved in school and to let you know about some events taking place this year. Our main focus remains on delivering the Multi Use Games area and additional play equipment this year, but we are also looking ahead to our next projects. These include a shelter for our Woodland Adventure area on the school field, additional bicycles, and acoustic sound absorbing panels for the school hall. We have a long wish list and all our fundraising efforts go towards improving the school environment for all our pupils

Christmas 2022

Thank you so much for all your contributions of baking, raffle prizes, tombola prizes and volunteers. We really appreciate your kindness and support. We raised a fantastic £2500 from our Christmas Fair Raffle and Auction. I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did - it was lovely to see so many families in school. Mrs Hall also raised funds by doing a Christmas Wreath workshop and from her Woodland Craft stall, and this has allowed us to buy a shed for the Woodland Adventure area.

Bags2School

We have organised a textile collection with Bags2School on **Friday 21st April 2023**. If you have any unwanted adult and children's clothes, shoes, hats, belts and handbags. Please bear us in mind if you are having a new year clear out - a reminder will be sent nearer the time regarding a date to bring your bags into school.

Rotary Club Nidderdale Walk - Sunday 14th May

This is open to anyone to complete the routes by walking or running. A group of staff are taking part and our families are also welcome to take part.

There are several routes ranging from 4 - 26 miles, all fully sign posted with refreshments along the way. All the walks start in Pateley Bridge and take you through beautiful Nidderdale.

Just by registering you help to raise funds for school by nominating us - and if you are able to get any sponsors that is even better. We can help set up online sponsor pages if needed. More detailed information can be found by following the link.

<https://www.nidderdalewalk.com/>

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School Sponsored Walk - Friday 26th May

We are planning to hold a whole school sponsored walk, which will take place on the school premises. Further details will be sent nearer the time.

Knaresborough Bed Race - Saturday 10th June

We are entering a team into the Knaresborough Bed Race again on 10th June. It is a great day out for families, and the pupils will be helping to decorate the bed again as in previous years. If you have any connections through work or friends to help us raise the entry fee of £200 I would be very grateful to hear from you. We would provide advertising for any sponsors on our bed and shirts.

School Summer Fair - Friday 23rd June - details to follow nearer the time.

Give as You Live

Online Shopping– if you like to shop online please use the **Give As You Live App** and school will receive a donation for each purchase you make at no cost to you. This can include anything from your weekly grocery shop to booking a holiday.

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

Amazon Smile

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1044157-0>

We are registered with **Amazon Smile** – which means anything you buy from Amazon generates a contribution to school fund at no cost to you, if you use the Amazon Smile website. <https://smile.amazon.co.uk> and nominate The Forest School Fund as your chosen charity. We have been nominated to be a 'Spotlight Charity' in March and hopefully this will help boost our profile to a wide audience and generate more donations.

Local Lotto

We have had 10 cash winners on the local lotto. It is a great scheme which benefits school fund and lots of other charities in the Harrogate District. In addition to the usual cash prizes you can win a year's supply of food from Hello Fresh if you purchase your ticket before 25th February. If you wish to buy a ticket for just £1 further details can be found here:-

<https://www.thelocalotto.co.uk/support/the-forest-school> or by scanning the QR code.



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Thank you for your continued support with our fundraising , it is great to see so many people getting involved and it is making a real difference in and around school.

Please keep in touch on our Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/forest.knaresborough> or Twitter @HTForestSchool

Yours sincerely

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