

FOSS NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2017



Pondering whilst doing the day job, I thought to myself, "Why on earth is the role called 'Chair-Person'? I've not sat down since the beginning of September!" - - Not that I'm moaning, being part of FOSS has given me so much joy, but it's been a whirlwind. The Christmas fair is coming together nicely. Father Christmas has confirmed he will pop in for those children who would like to see him, or perhaps write a letter to post to the North Pole? We've been lucky that Mrs Harvey gave us the thumbs up for a Christmas Bar this year, with a special £2 per glass of Mulled wine, Prosecco, or a pint of Hophead that Dark Star brewery have kindly donated. (2pt Take-aways available too for the dads that can't make it!) Hot Dogs from Hutchings Family Butchers at Partridge Green. 'Elfie-Selfie' harnessing the craze for pouting for a pic but with Christmas props and pals captured on Polaroid film for the fridge! Tuck shop, lucky dip, Shipleigh fence legacy and refreshments.

Raffle ticket stubs are coming in fast and furious and at last tot up, a whopping £322 has been raised in 2 weeks. Still plenty of time to ask friends and family. There is also the 'Silent Auction' this year. Voting slips, t&c's and envelopes have gone out, however, if you haven't received one via your child's book bag, you MUST! There is a PDF attached for ANYONE, friends, family, the plumber who comes round to fix a leak, basically anyone over the age of 18 who would like to participate! (cut off is Friday 8th Dec so don't delay!)

PS. There is a handful of 1hr slots left if anyone is free to help. Come find a member of FOSS (usually loitering in the shelter at drop off/pick up, and clutching a clip board).

Looking forward to January 2018, FOSS will be asking 2 class representatives from Ash and Sycamores, giving our children a voice within their school.

A wish list is being put together as we speak (meeting on Monday 4th at 139 Pound Farm Cottages from 9.15am) outlining reasons to raise money and to harness the resources and skills that others want to share to make our school amazing.

And lastly, following the news, it's looking like a Garden party in May to celebrate the Royal Wedding! Watch this space.

Merry Christmas

Sarah Cuthbertson
and Friends of Shipleigh School