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NEWSLETTER

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

It seems a long time since our last newsletter in February of last year. A lot has happened since then and so our fundraising has remained pretty much dormant.

We continue to rely on monthly donations as our biggest source of income and would be grateful if all parents could support the school, however small that donation may be- £5 a month is £60 a year and every penny really does count so please consider setting up a standing order or a one off donation: it only takes a minute!

Friends of Hadley Wood School

Account number 01285947

Sort code 30-12-34

If you pay UK tax, we would also be grateful if you could complete a gift aid declaration form– this allows us to reclaim a further 25% on your donation. These are available by emailing our treasurer Emma Christou–
emmaandmax2001@yahoo.co.uk

FHWS EXPENDITURE

Whilst we continue to receive donations we have continued to invest in enhancing the education of the children. Although having been constructed during the first lockdown, the children have all had use of the new climbing frame which was installed to promote upper body strength particularly in KS1.

The media suite IT replacement which has required revamp for some time has been approved at a cost of around £30,000. This will ensure all the computers are on a joined network, so the teaching staff can access each child's computer from their master computer and do not need to go to each child, promoting social distancing as well as improving productivity.



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EXPENDITURE CONTINUED

The school is advancing in discussions with the council about replacing the current music room with a multi purpose porta-cabin/building which would have it's own separate entrance. Initially it would likely be a single storey room due to funding, with the opportunity to progress to double storey when funds allow.

This room could provide a before and after school club providing the school with a much needed second avenue for income as well as a classroom during the day and rental to private parties on weekends. We are way off the funding needed for this (ball park figures are around £120K) but to provide the school with a long lasting income will hopefully see a return on investment in a few short years.

A sensory room for KS1 has also been approved costing around £1000, as well as the £250 "class fund" given to each year group annually to enable classes to purchase items they think will improve their experience-previously they have chosen anything from wet play games to sellotape dispensers- it is up to the class and their teachers!

The school were keen to improve the indoor surroundings of the children, and we have recently approved the decoration of the most used corridors with a wipe clean wallpaper that comes with a lifetime guarantee. The school will involve the children in designing this wallpaper and it will cover all key stage topics, and judging from the samples will look outstanding.

OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT FHWS

AMAZON SMILE

FHWS is now registered with amazon smile, please support us by nominating us as your charity– it takes less than a minute then shop via the amazon smile site– you won't see a difference!!

The link has been sent via whatsapp groups and is also below:

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/283055-0>

Every qualifying purchase will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the FHWS at no cost to yourself.

TEXT AND DONATE!



Support our fundraising by texting FHWS followed by your donation amount (default amount is £20 so if you don't put a figure this is the amount taken) to 70085. You will be charged the amount donated plus your standard rate message. Max amount per text is £20 but please feel free to donate multiple amounts!

EASY FUNDRAISING



Have you considered shopping via the Easy Fundraising App or website? There are links to most of the high street online stores, from Amazon to Sainsbury's to car insurance and household bills. Every purchase made this way results in a donation to the school– we have raised over £3500 over the years this way but with only 86 supporters it could be far higher!! Just use the app or site and click the link to where you wish to shop– that's all it takes!!!