

We hope this newsletter finds you refreshed and ready for an event-filled term!

Here are a few things to look forward to. Please save the dates in your diaries and let us know where you can help.

When	What	Details	Volunteers?
Jan	Last One Standing	More info coming soon. Deadline to enter is 10pm on Feb 2nd!	No, but please let us know if you might be able to run this event in 2025!
1st & 2nd Feb	A Star is Born	The Friends will be running a bar across both nights, opening just before the show starts and closing shortly after the interval.	Let us or your class rep know if you can help on either evening: - set-up from 5pm - serve from 7pm - help clear away
23 Feb	Girls Night Out! Relax, pamper, shop and support local women in business	From 7.30-11pm, we'll be hosting a night at the school in aid of International Women's Day. Tickets and more info coming soon!	Let us or your class rep know if you can help: - set-up from 5pm - serve from 7.30pm - clear away
28 Feb	Preloved Clothes Rail at Parents Evening	The Friends will be leaving a selection of preloved uniform for you to help yourself. Please do!	N/A
8 Mar	World Book Day, book sale	Each class will have 20 mins to browse the bookstall during the day. Books will be priced at £1 each so please remember to give your child £1-£2 on the day.	Let us or your class rep know if you can help set-up on the day – AM or PM and stay to help the children choose the book(s) they wish to buy.
8 Mar	Happy School Bag Collection	Bring as many bags of the permitted items as poss to school at drop-off.	Let us or your class rep know if you can help immediately after drop-off for about an hour.
15 Mar	St Patrick's Night	Join us for a night of live entertainment, food, and dancing! All are welcome!	Let us know if you can help: - set-up from 5pm - serve from 7.30pm - clear up

*We'll also be looking to host another coffee/cake morning at the Church. Dates tbc.

Volunteer Opportunities

We encourage parents, carers, and teachers to get involved!

Whether you have a little time or a lot, there are numerous ways to contribute. Please reach out to us. We'd love to hear from you.

Easyfundraising

Please consider enabling easyfundraising, if you haven't done so already.

What is it: easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

How to install: One way to install the tool is by adding the donation reminder to your browser with the click of a button.

[See here for more info.](#)

What we've raised so far

- **Happy Bag Collection - £920**
- **Church Coffee Morning - £753**
- **Christmas Cards - £740**
- **Christmas Bazaar - £10,570**
- **Christmas Parent Social - £1,662**
- **Kids Christmas Disco - £1,960**
- **Pet Photo Competition - £230**
- **Parent Donation - £197**
- **EasyFundRaising - £85**

Total: £17, 117

Open Dialogue

Communication is key. We value your input and ideas. If you have any suggestions, concerns, ideas for new events, feedback, or would like to get involved, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

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