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Hello from FODS!

I am the lucky new Chair and would like to say a few words about what we have been up to lately, and what exciting things we have planned for the coming year.

Our first event of the year was the ever popular Film Night, where we showed Transylvania 2 to a record 121 not-too-over-excited children, then fed them some not-too-sugary-snacks and then sent them home with their not-too-unimpressed-parents (just wait until the Christmas Disco...) We made a whopping £540 which is a great start to our penny-building mission!

This coming half term we will be trying a new fundraiser / social gathering in the form of a one hour afterschool 'coffee-cafe', on Friday 25th November - please come along with your children, have a cuppa, slice of cake and a chance to meet / catch up with other parents. We know how precious Friday afternoons can be, which is why it is for one hour only - short and sweet! If you have a child in Hambledon base and could bake a cake please get in touch with either Cait, Harry's mum or Carine, Tristan's mum. We hope that this will become a regular event, the idea being that each base takes a turn to bake and therefore only does it once a year!

Last year FODS raised more than £8000, which will be spent in the coming year on a brand new set of laptops, a theatre visit, a new sports kit and some more tools for the Allotment Club. Every penny we raise is spent as soon as is feasible so that we reap what we sow and see our very own children benefit. Without this funding, they would go without these things.

If you have just a couple of hours to spare helping at an event (younger siblings can usually be accommodated!), would like to become a class rep (FODS link to a specific learning base), or can bake a cake then we'd love to hear from you - we appreciate how busy everyone is so any help at all is always very welcome.

Finally if anyone has some suitable uniform they no longer need, our stocks of second hand uniform are a bit low, so would be really appreciated.

Here's to a another great year of fun and fundraising!

Best wishes

Nell Ravenscroft
(Chair of FODS)

Upcoming dates for your diary:
Friday 25th November Coffee Cafe 3.30-4.30
Friday 9th December Christmas Disco 6-7.30

