

Friends of Balliol Winter Newsletter



It has been a busy winter term for Friends of Balliol. First up was our spooky Halloween disco, which all of the children loved. It has been the first time in years that we have been able to hold a disco, so thank you to all of those who donated decorations and gave up your time to help us- we couldn't have done it without you! As you know, Friends of Balliol aim to pay half of the coach fees for school trips, and the £690 from the disco has been donated towards the Year 6 residential trip later in the year. It was great fun organising the Halloween disco and having so many children attend. Snacks, juice and lots of dancing were had by all- we can say it was a HUGE success! Thank you to the kind family who donated cakes- we made a wonderful £141 from this alone.

We run our popular Christmas card designs again. There were some fantastic designs and I'm sure all parents were proud of the designs created. This year we were able to raise £343 for other excursions including Orchestra Unwrapped and Flag Fenn .



Finally we ran the ever popular Santa experience, selling all 120 tickets. Not only that, but we had lots of stalls including Find Rudolph's nose, Candy Cane Lane, the bottle stall and rainbow raffle. We would like to thank all parents for their generous donations for the raffle- it meant we were able to make several extra hampers. This event raised over £1300 which will pay for the coaches for the Year 5 Space Centre trip as well as others.

BUT WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP!

In the spring term we are hoping to have another film evening. This was very popular with children throughout the school, but we need volunteers to help run these events. Whether you can spare half an hour to call for refreshments quotes/ collecting items or even helping during the event, we would value your help. The more volunteers we have- the more events we can run.

If you are able to help in any way, please contact Mrs Bicknell or Jill, our Chairperson, directly on 07966351422 or jill@teachingwiththeease.co.uk