



Update

Dear Parents/guardians,

At the start of this academic year, we announced that we were undertaking the unprecedented challenge of raising £18,000 to make up for the shortfall in this year's school budget, in addition to continuing to fund projects such as the Shakespeare project and Let's Explore.

Well, thanks to all your continued support – **WE'VE DONE IT!!!**

We can officially announce that....

Our fundraising total for this academic year is now up to £25,633.89!!!

This amazing fundraising total means that not only have we secured our wonderful Teaching Assistants for the whole of this academic year, but we also now have money in the bank which we can put to good use next year.

Sponsored Walk – a huge thank you to everyone that joined us for a wonderful walk. We were humbled by everyone's support and enthusiasm and blown away by our fundraising total – an unbelievable **£9,255.37**

Triathlon & 10km - Thank you to George Scotland, Luke and Amy McCullough, Rob Taylor, James Ford, Dan Start, James Rees, Alex Stavri, Jon Dunbar and Ben Childs who completed their challenges and with the help of match-funding employers, have raised an amazing **£3,219.70**

Lego Club – Kerry's Lego Club is as successful as ever and has now raised an amazing total of **£2344.25** for the PTA!

Give as you Live – Thanks to everyone who's signed up to (and shopped via) Give as you Live. We're now up to **92** supporters and have raised **£309.16** since September. If you haven't signed up but would like to, visit www.freshfordpta.com for the link. Don't forget to use it when booking your next holiday!

Donations – we currently have **25** families making monthly donations totalling **£396** per month. Thank you so much for your contributions.

Riverford – Riverford are increasing their donation for new customers who make three orders, from £15 to £25. So if you've been thinking about signing up for deliveries, now's the time to do it! Details can be found at www.freshfordpta.com. So far this year, the PTA has received **£112.50** as a result of the Riverford Veg Fund scheme.

In addition to all the fundraising, we also put in a successful bid to FLISCA who awarded us a **£300** contribution towards the Shakespeare project.

Thank you all once again for your continued help and support and apologies if we've missed anyone!

How are we spending the money we raise?

So far this year we've....

- bought sets of Shakespeare texts for the Twelfth Night project - £111.19
- put £252.75 into the school hardship fund
- donated £10,000 as promised to the school to cover costs to enable TAs in each classroom
- funded Shakespeare teacher training and a theatre practitioner for the Shakespeare project - £1,200
- provided the school with photocopying facilities - £294.72

To celebrate our achievements, we're hoping to have a party next term – watch this space for more details.

Wishing you all a very happy half-term.

The PTA Committee