



# FROGS NEWS

## SCHOOLS OUT!

21 JULY 2023

What an incredible fundraising year we've had! Thank you to everyone who has volunteered, donated and taken part. We cannot thank you all enough for your continued support with our fundraising events. We are so lucky to be part of such a wonderful village school and to be surrounded by such a fabulous community of parents, teachers and children, it's something we are all so proud of!

With all these efforts and along with other incredibly generous parent donations, this year we raised an impressive total of **£8,823**

2022/23 Fundraising Total  
**£8,823**

### Dates for the diary - Autumn Term

Back to School Family BBQ – TBC

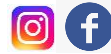
FROGS AGM – **Wednesday 27 September (Zoom)**

Quiz Night – **Friday 6 October**

This year, we have donated over  
**£9,000** to our school

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Thank you to all the Class Reps for the events they have organised.

<b>Bumblebees</b>	Mother's Day Mugs & Craft Bags	£456
<b>Honeybees</b>	Santa's Grotto	£1,245
<b>Carpenter Bees</b>	Movie Night	£86
<b>Nectar</b>	Big Ropley Raffle	£1,133
<b>Honeycomb</b>	Valentines Disco	£451
<b>Beekeepers</b>	100 Days Out Book	£1,361

These efforts alone, raised an astonishing £4,732 towards our fundraising total.

As always, thank you so much to Sarah Hilder and Sam Penhaligon for organising & managing the second-hand uniform sale, raising over £97 in donations. Thank you to Tamsin Armstrong for raising over £459 with the annual Christmas Card project.

Another successful Christmas Wreath workshop and other Christmas fundraisers raised an incredible £1,555.

We are always so overwhelmed by the parent donations we receive, either direct or through their workplace. This year we received over £835 in donations, thank you so much!

Thank you again to everyone who has arranged, volunteered or supported these fundraisers. We have raised an extraordinary amount of money for our small school.



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### Class Reps

We would like to say a huge thank you to all this years' class reps who have done a fantastic job communicating, organising, and fundraising. Class Reps from September 2023 are as follows. If you are interested in becoming a class rep for the vacant spots, please get in touch.

<b>Bumble Bee (Year R)</b> – Flopsy Landrock-Mettam & TBC	<b>Nectar (Year 3/4)</b> – Vicky Wright, Caz Bowden & Amy Nettle
<b>Honey Bees (Year 1)</b> – Caz Bowden & Rhiannon Wicks	<b>Honeycomb (Year 4/5)</b> – TBC
<b>Carpenter Bees (Year 2)</b> – Tash Hillary & Hanji Howard	<b>Beekeeper (Year 5/6)</b> – Vicky Wright & Jane Kaneer

We are always delighted to hear how the school is spending the money raised and how it will improve the school's resources. This year we have donated a whopping **£9,323** to the school. This includes donations for the Regular Commitments and their Wish List items. Any remaining amount in the FROGS account will be carried forward to the next academic term.

Below outlines where donations have been spent this year.

<b>Regular Commitments</b>	
Laptop Rental	£3,070
Coaches	£100
Book Replacement Fund	£194
Sports & Play Equipment	£200
Year 6 Leavers Contribution	£270
Class led initiatives / wishlist (£100 per class, After School club & Garden	£895
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£4,729</b>
<b>Wish List</b>	
Laptop Trolley	£860
Dynamo Maths	£350
Mini First Aid	£350
Farm Animals	£455
Headphones	£175
Digi maps	£104
Christmas Pantomime	£2,300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£4,594</b>



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## **FROGS (PTA) Committee – WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!**

Thank you to the incredibly fabulous FROGS team for the past year. We have worked hard to ensure fundraising for the school continues. It's always a good laugh and extremely rewarding when we get to see the children and parents excited about the events and even better when we see the amazing amount of money raised for our school, being spent.

Sadly, after several years, a few committee members will be 'jumping the lily pad' and stepping down from the committee. We are therefore looking for some new volunteers to join us....

Abby Hawkes and Laura Silk will be stepping down as Co-Chair, as well as Bex Charlton as Secretary and Lisa McCrystal as Treasurer. Laura Silk will continue as a Committee Member, along with Cat D'Alton, Sarah Allen, Amy Nettle and Camilla Howling. Abby Bance will join as the new Treasurer and Emily Budd as a new Committee Member.

We are therefore looking for a new **Chair or Co-Chair** and **Secretary**. The Chair role is responsible for chairing monthly meetings, meeting with the school twice a year to discuss wish lists and spending and generally ensuring the committee is running smoothly.

The Secretary role predominately consists of taking minutes at our FROGS meetings/zooms, which usually take place monthly as well as supporting the co-chairs with admin tasks.

And as always, more general committee members would be great, no experience is needed, just someone who want to get involved, have a laugh and meet new people!

**If you're interested in joining FROGS, we would love your help, please drop us a message at [ropleyfrogs@gmail.com](mailto:ropleyfrogs@gmail.com)**

Thank you again for all your continued support and have a wonderful Summer break. See you in September!

Good luck to all the Year 6's off to their next adventure at Secondary School, you will all be missed.

*FROGS x*

## **Annual General Meeting (AGM) – Wednesday 27 September 2023**

FROGS is a registered charity and in the Autumn term we hold an AGM. This is an opportunity for the current Chair (Abby Hawkes) and Treasurer (Lisa McCrystal) to outline the previous year fundraising achievements. It will take place on **Wednesday 27 September at 8pm** and will be via Zoom.

Please pop the date in your diary and dial in to listen to what we have done this year. At this meeting, the new FROGS committee for 2023/24 will be formally appointed.