



# NEWSLETTER

MAY EDITION 23/24

## Upcoming FOBPS Events

**BPS Big Gig: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2024, from 8pm.**



Live music from Jess Upton and the Guilty Pleasures at The Lyric Theatre, Bridport Town Centre. Over 18's only.

**Please buy tickets in advance if you can...**

***We currently have not sold enough tickets to cover costs so may have to postpone/cancel*** – it would be a shame to have to do that so please do **buy your tickets now** if you know you are coming and bring your family and friends for a boogie too!

Early bird reduced price tickets are available for £12 online: <https://fobps.charityhive.co.uk/>

**School Disco: Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024:** tickets to go on sale from this Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> May.

**First session (Years 1, 2 & 3) straight after school from 15:20 until 16:20.**

**£3 per child (includes drink and packet of crisps)**

This group of children will be able to get changed into their party clothes within their classrooms at the end of the school day; parents **do not** have to come to school at 3:10pm; **collection time will be from 4:20pm** from outside their normal classrooms.

**Second session (Years 4, 5 & 6) from 16:40 until 17:40**

**£2 per child (Disco tuck shop available – CASH ONLY)**

Entry to the disco will be through your child's regular classroom door **from 4:40pm**. Each classroom will have a designated teacher with a list of children who are booked to attend; any bags and coats will be left in classrooms. **Collection time will be from 5:40pm** from outside their normal classrooms.

To purchase tickets for your child/children, please login to <https://fobps.charityhive.co.uk>, select the correct session for your child's age group and purchase **1 ticket per child** by **10pm Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**; children must only attend their allocated session.

**New to You Sales:** Our uniform sales are held outside the school main office from 3pm; we are going to move the day this is held as we struggle for volunteers on a Monday – we will trial the last **Tuesday** of each half-term for now: next sale is **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**.

**Uniform donations:** Please consider donating any good quality used uniform to the New to You stock. Simply bag it up and put it in our New to You bin next to the Green Textile Recycle Bank in the school carpark. **We accept grey/black skirts/trousers/shorts/dresses, summer dresses, green jumpers, cardigans, and PE hoodies.**



NO shoes, bags, coats, white polo shirts, underwear(!) or non-clothes items, thank you (these are rarely asked for and take a lot of room in our small storage area – please donate them to the Astra textile recycle bank).

## FOBPS update

### Easter Hop - Saturday 23rd March 2024



We were blessed with good weather for the Easter Trail and fun activities outside around the school grounds! We welcomed 102 children through the gates to complete the trail and meet Peter Rabbit for a treat at the end – thank you to **Rainbow Parties Dorset** for putting us in touch with Peter once again 😊.



The children's tombola was kept super busy for the entirety of the event, we hope you picked some lucky tickets! Carrot toss was a popular game, with lots of accurate throws winning some sweets and there was a wonderful parade of Easter Hats though the hall!

This event raised a fantastic **£1100.80** for the school, thank you to everyone who helped, donated, and came to support the event, we could not do it without you!

### **Cake Stalls:**

Well done to **Year 2** for their cake stall raising **£145.80** last month, thank you for all the wonderful cake donations! This means that Year 2 have pipped longstanding leaders Year 6 to first place in the cake stall cup; can Year 1 or Reception beat their total?

### **Current Cake Stall Cup standings**

**First Place:** Year 2: £145.80

**Second Place:** Year 6: £141.86

**Third Place:** Year 3: £118.40

**Fourth Place:** Year 5: £103.50

**Fifth Place:** Year 4: £88



### **Remaining cake stall dates:**

Y1 – Fri, 7th June 2024

YR – Fri, 12th July 2024

## **Car Boot Sale Grant:**

We are delighted to have been awarded funds from the **West Bay Car boot Sale Fund** to install a shed within the school grounds to serve as a store and accessible shop for the New to You uniform sales. We hope this will allow us to hold larger stocks of uniform and offer more frequent stalls supporting families to access affordable, good quality uniform. Watch this space!

## **Recent FOBPS spends** - *Suggestions are welcomed.*

- First Aid Bags for each class to store medication.
- Subsidy for design of new school logo.
- Subsidy for swimming fees.
- A project to improve Playground facilities is being planned.

## **FOPBS Meetings**

Our meetings are always held in the pub, allowing us to have a catch up and a chat either side of the meeting discussions; please do come to our next gathering if you can on **Tues 4<sup>th</sup> June in The Tiger Inn, Bridport, from 7:30pm.**

## **FOPBS Communications**

As you can see from the changes in some of our activities, we do struggle with volunteers, despite having over 300 children at the school so if you think you can spare a little time to help your school's PTA every now and then, please email us at [bridportpsfriends@gmail.com](mailto:bridportpsfriends@gmail.com) and we can add you to the WhatsApp group where we can put a shout out when we need help! Alternatively, we still have the communication links below:

 E-Mail: **[bridportpsfriends@gmail.com](mailto:bridportpsfriends@gmail.com)**

 Facebook: **@bridportpsfriends**

 Instagram: **bridportpsfriends**

**“Like” and “Follow” the FOBPS Social Media pages to hear about all the Friends’ events and notices.**

## Easy ways to help FOBPS.



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<https://www.emptiesplease.com/>

Please collect used ink cartridges and put them in our recycle bin situated in the school office. 'Empties Please' will collect the bin when it is full and donate the money raised straight back to FOBPS.

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£274 raised so far

29 supporters have joined



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<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofbps>.

## Astra Cycle Textile Recycle Bank

Did you know that we have a textile bank situated in the school carpark.

Astra Cycle pay FOBPS 40p per kilo for what is collected and will empty the bank every 2 weeks to stop it from overflowing!

(If it is full, please wait for the bank to be emptied rather than leaving the bags of textiles next to the bank)

The textiles collected are either sent to Eastern Europe to be used again or converted into insulation materials and industrial cleaning wipes - less than 1% of what you donate will end up in the ground.

Items must be bagged please, and the following is accepted: Clothing, Uniform (if not fit for New to You), Shoes, Accessories (bags, hats, gloves, scarves, belts etc), bed linen and towels.

*Please note, the textile bank does not take Carpet, Curtains, Fabric Off cuts and General waste.*

