



# Friends of Hazlehurst (PTA) Newsletter Spring Term 2016



The Spring Term 2016 brought some great fundraising events for the school, some old, some new, but all very worthwhile. As ever, huge thanks to all those who have given their time, energy, and money to help support the school raise funds for the benefit of every child.

## Ceilidh Dance Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February

What a fun energetic night of family dancing. All age groups enjoyed learning their steps and by the end, most could tell the difference between the 'Dashing White Sergeant' and the 'Cumberland Square'. Our caller Bryan did a wonderful job at co-ordinating the dancing and made sure everyone got up to dance. There was no escape! A big thanks to Bryan and to all who helped with the event, setting up, running the bar and stalls, and the big clear up at the end. And thank you to those families that attended and joined in to make the night what it was. In total the event made a fantastic £206. Plans are afoot as to what the monies will go towards. More information will be published when a decision has been made.



## Save the Date

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 3.30pm - Plant sale order collection.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 6.30pm - Family Treasure Hunt and BBQ. Always a fun night, well worth attending. Pay on the door.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2pm-4pm - Annual Summer Fair.

## Family Fun Night Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March

Firstly, huge thanks must be extended to Mr Hughes who, when asked as to whether he would be happy to host the evening, he took it on completely and provided a fantastic fun filled programme of games and music for the whole family to enjoy. And enjoy they did. From stand up bingo to play your cards right, the laughter didn't stop. Congratulations to the winners of all the games. This is an evening which proved very popular with our Hazlehurst families and one which will be repeated in the near future. Thank you to all who came and enjoyed it so much and helped to raise the fantastic sum of £500. Amazing!

## Rotary Duck Race Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Our resident artist and Friends member, Stuart Barkley did a wonderful job decorating the Hazlehurst Duck for the duck race. Unfortunately, she wasn't a winner but certainly showed the town how Hazlehurst Primary School loves to be part of and support the Ramsbottom Community.

### Plant Sale orders

Many thanks to everyone who has placed an order. The plants will arrive at school for collection after school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May

## Does your employer have a Match Funding Scheme?

Many larger nationwide employers have a Match Funding Scheme whereby an employee can apply to their employer about an individual event and the employer may agree to:

- Match the total funds raised for an event.
- Match the funds you personally take on a stall for an event.
- Match the sponsorship the school secures for an event.

Match funding could be a huge benefit to Hazlehurst School. If you are aware that your company has such a scheme we would be grateful if you could consider how it could help the school. Please visit <http://www.pta.co.uk/fundraising/faqs-match-funding.aspx> for more information or email the friends at [hazlehurst.pta@googlemail.com](mailto:hazlehurst.pta@googlemail.com)

### Your Friends of Hazlehurst

Just a reminder that all parents are welcome to attend as many or as few Friends meetings as they wish. The idea of being a 'Friends Member' is a bit of a myth - anyone can (and does!) attend any time they like. Please come along if you are curious. The next meeting is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April, 7pm, at school.



Thanks to everyone for all your support both in planning and attending events to raise funds that benefit all the children.

Sarah Carroll (Chairman)