

William Gilbert PTA Newsletter

Review of Events in Oct/Nov & Dec

Firstly a huge thank you to all the parents, teachers and families who have helped to run events and attended them over the past months. We have had great support and have managed to raise almost £3.5k since the beginning of October. Well Done!

The inaugural **Golf Event** was a great success, and we hope it will become an annual fixture. The event raised close to £700 and our thanks go to Richard Beevers and his team for organising this one.

The **Quiz night**, was well attended and a lot of fun. The winning team was “2 Sheets To The Wind”. Congratulations to them, and to our organisers Judith Carroll and Susanne Leeder.

The **Ladies Shopping evening** in November gave us an opportunity to pamper friends and family and to indulge in a little retail therapy. Once again, we had a great turn out, on a freezing winter evening, so thank you to all those who braved the chill to support the event. Our thanks too to Mary Johnson Evans and Susanne Leeder for organising the event.

This year's **Christmas Fayre** saw the appearance of the Chocolate Tombola. This winning idea was suggested by Mrs Bowyer (many thanks), and the children brought us over 200 pieces of chocolate for the tombola! Thanks to them for really getting behind the idea. When Bronwen Skinner had finished adding up, the Fayre raised £2000 – a superb achievement. Once again, thank you to all those who gave their time to help us set up, man and clear up the event. You were tremendous!

We have also run bars for the Junior concerts & provided refreshments for the Nursery Nativity play, and we wanted to thank all the “barstaff”, and “tealadies” for their time and help too. It was much appreciated.

Finally, Jo Kennedy has again launched the annual **bauble decorating** competition, and we look forward to judging that this week. Thanks Jo.

Things to Come.....

The Willy Gilly Ball 18th March 2006. Reservations for tables were taken at the Christmas Fayre. At the time of writing, five tables are still available, so if you would like to join us at Pride Park for this annual black tie fundraiser, please call

Nikki Allison on 07966 398 204. If you are new to the school or the event, all you need to do is get together with a group of friends and reserve your table through Nikki.

Once again, the PTA thanks all those who supported these activities – our school, and our children will really feel the benefits of our efforts and what's more we had fun during the process!

Wishing you all a fantastic Christmas,

The PTA