

Newsletter January 24

Friends of North Stainley C of E school



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SCHOOL

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Next FONSS Meeting:
6:30pm on Wednesday
17th January at
The Staveley Arms

Our next
fundraising event:



Sunday 17th March 2024

FONSS are delighted to
have recently funded:

- £320 for new playground equipment, as requested by the school children
- £325 to cover the coach to the pantomime (oh yes we did!)
- £93 for ice creams for the children at the pantomime

The Lightwater Valley 10k Challenge

Back to school in the new year, our focus is starting to turn to the biggest fundraising event in our calendar – this year we are hoping to entice **300 runners** with an aim to raise over **£4000**.

The run will take place on Sunday 17th March 2024

SAVE THE DATE

This event takes a huge amount of organisation and relies upon the very generous support of our local community volunteers to make it a success – we need a staggering **40 volunteers** for things to run smoothly.



So, if you can support us as a race marshal, at race registration or in any other capacity then please let us know.

We are having a very special FONSS meeting in January that will focus on the run, everybody welcome, please come along and get involved. The meeting will take place at:

6:30pm, Wednesday 17th January at The Staveley Arms

Or if you are a runner then sign up now & spread the word at:
[racebest.com/races/gvrcf](https://www.racebest.com/races/gvrcf)

The Staveley Arms Charity Partner 2024



We are thrilled to announce that FONSS have been voted as the Staveley Arms Charity Partner for 2024 – this means that all fund raising undertaken by our local village pub throughout the year, will be in aid of FONSS and used to benefit the school.

The team have big plans, so watch this space for further info!

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Did you know?

FONSS donates an average of **£6000 per year** to the school!
That's almost £120 per child!

As you can imagine, all that fundraising is challenging, but this newsletter details some of the really easy ways you can help us out this year.

EasyFundRaising

If you are an internet shopper (who isn't?) then please kindly sign up to this fantastic scheme that raises money for the school every time you shop at thousands of major high street brands.

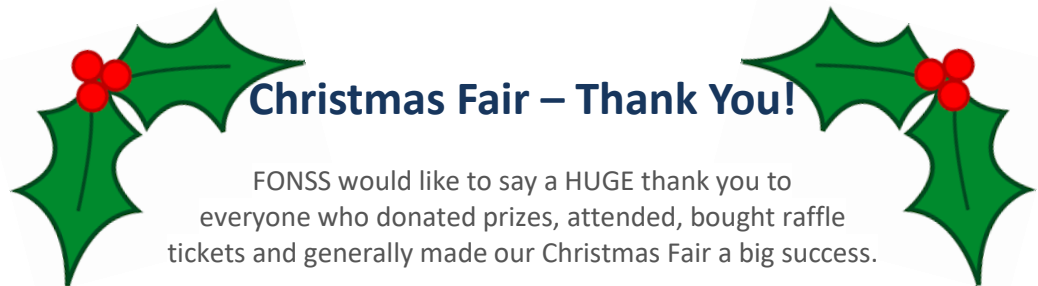
It doesn't cost you a penny!

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

Clothes Recycling Bin

You may be aware of the recycling bin in the car park of the Staveley Arms?

This is part of the School Connect project - by recycling unwanted clothing, shoes, bags, belts and accessories you're raising money for the school & saving UK landfills too!



Christmas Fair – Thank You!

FONSS would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who donated prizes, attended, bought raffle tickets and generally made our Christmas Fair a big success.

Having added everything up, we raised a fantastic **£780!!**
This will go a long way towards supporting the school.

Once again, the church group did an excellent job of providing their usual delicious drinks, cakes and bacon sandwiches - raising much needed funds for St. Mary's Church.



The FONSS 100 Lottery

The FONSS 100 lottery is a great way to raise money for the school, whilst giving something back by offering players a chance to win big cash prizes.

For a standing order of **only £5 per month**, you can enter our quarterly draw with 3 guaranteed cash prizes.

Please visit the [FONSS 100 lottery page](#) on the school website or register via our online application form [HERE](#)