



DAVENANT MATTERS

Newsletter of DFSPA

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Dear Friends,

It's been some while since we reported back on our fund raising activities and the first one to mention is the **Fashion Show**. This was an amazing event which was well supported and a total of **£1176** was raised for school funds. Our thanks go to Liz, Sian and Lois for organising this event and a very big thank you to everyone who supported it.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE CONGRATULATIONS!

THANK YOU! After months of planning, the Christmas Fayre was a tremendous success and raised an amazing **£5640!!** This is a record profit and an even more remarkable achievement given the credit squeeze. Congratulations and thank you to the Christmas Fayre planning committee who worked so hard to make this such a success. The Hall looked beautifully festive decorated with gold and silver balloons and snowflakes and the atmosphere was wonderful.

Special thanks should also go to:

Mr Parker - Assistant Head Teacher - for organising the Student Stalls and for all his help and support to the PA leading up to the event and on the day & all the other staff of the school that attended the Fayre.

All the students who ran their own stalls - they came up with some very innovative ideas this year.

The refreshments team - including Lois Kilden, Sian Shadbolt, Sue Lane, Jackie Stephens and Jon Greengrass – they sustained many people throughout the day!

Norman Darling – a parent and Barclays Bank Manager, who has successfully applied to Barclays under their fund raising matching scheme, and will be doubling the money made on the bottle and chocolate tombolas! Barclays will be sending a cheque for £640 and our thanks go to Norman and his wife Sharon for agreeing to take on the organisation of these stalls.

Richard Ford - for printing all the Grand Draw tickets and who ran the highly successful continuous bottle raffle on Saturday.

Lucy Folkes – for organising the Grand Draw

Liz Payne – for organising all the volunteer helpers

Mark and Louise Payne – for counting all the money

The Davenant Community Choir – for their beautiful singing which set the tone and ambience for the afternoon.

To all of you who donated items, delivered leaflets, ran stalls, helped set up and clear away, bought Grand Draw tickets or donated money and supported the event!

Without you this event would not have been so successful!

A very big THANK YOU to you all!

Listed below are the lucky winners of the Grand Draw prizewinners. Most of the prizes should have been received by now and if not please contact the school office to arrange collection.

1 st £150	Mrs Robinson
2 nd Wii Fit Game	James Jackson
3 rd £50 meal voucher from	J Grant

Other winners are: 100 squares - Juan, Guess the number of sweets - James McNicholas (99), Name the Hip Hop Snowman - (called Jethro) won by Sally Train, Guess the weight of the cake - (14lb 2oz) Amanda Hart. The student stall winners were: Guess the Weight of the cake (7lb 6oz) Mr D Parker, How many sweets (85) - Mr Seward and another guess the number of sweets (136) K Drew. All winners have been informed and have been collected.

If you were one of the lucky winners for the Christmas Hampers - if possible we would like to do the same again next year and it would be appreciated if we could recycle the hampers. Thank you.

Our first meeting of the new term is on Monday 5th January 2009 in the school library and we would love to welcome new members.

Finally, the PA and I wish you and your families a very Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind Regards

Pam Bollen Chair - Davenant Foundation School Parents Association