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29th September 2023

Dear Parents,

The term is already flying by and we are looking forward to welcoming you to our Harvest Festival on Wednesday at St Peter's Church, Yaxham at 2.45pm. For those of you who are new to our school, we will walk down to the church with the children in the afternoon, they will need to be collected from the church at 3.20pm.

We will be collecting donations all of next week for the Mid-Norfolk Food Bank.

**Please make sure all donations are long life, unopened, in-date and don't need to be refrigerated.**

We were really pleased to welcome the Friends of Yaxham School to present certificates to our fantastic litter pickers today. The children represented our school brilliantly, supporting the local community as well as raising much needed funds for our school. Thank you to them, their

families and the Friends for their hard work.



#### SEPTEMBER 2023: OUR MOST-NEEDED ITEMS ARE

SHAMPOO/SHOWER GEL

COFFEE/TEABAGS 40S & 80S

TINNED RICE PUDDING

TOILET ROLL

LOGLIFE FRUIT JUICE

TINNED TOMATOES

#### WE'VE GOT LOTS OF...

... BREAKFAST CEREAL, BAKED BEANS, PASTA SAUCE AND SANITARYWARE!

## ***Special Awards this week:***

### ***Hedgehog Class***

*Laila for working really hard and being a kind and helpful member of our class*

### ***Badger Class***

*Ellie-Mai for being a kind and supportive member of our class*

### ***Fox Class***

*Kelcie for working incredibly hard all week and setting a great example to others*

### ***Writer of the week***

*Elise for a great story and working hard to improve it*

### ***Book of the week***

*Ethan chose a great football book and chose Avery for next week. We look forward to seeing what book he brings to share with us.*

### ***Prefects***

*We were very excited to announce our first prefects of the year. We know that they will work really hard and be great role models. Congratulations Emelia and Toby!*



## ***Other Messages***

**Notice of Annual General Meeting - Friends of Yaxham School**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November - 5pm**



The Friends of Yaxham School have got their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 1st November at 5pm. It will be held at the School. We would love to see as many of you there as possible.

If you want to become a committee member but cannot attend the AGM, please let us know prior to the AGM and we will get you appointed. It's best to get appointed at the AGM, even if you cannot attend.

The agenda for the AGM will include a report on the activities of the previous year, a report on the accounts and the appointment of new committee members. It is only likely to last about 30 minutes.

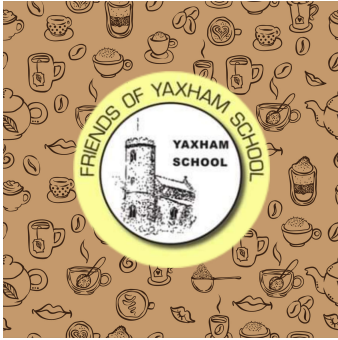
### **What's it like being a Member of the Friends?**

As always, many hands make light work...you really can do as much or as little as you like and it's good fun! It's better to have as much help as we can to share out all the great stuff we do to help to raise money to provide much needed support to enrich the education of our children at school. We do this through fun activities and events. Sometimes we fund-raise for specific items or activities the school wants to do like subsidising a school trip and sometimes it's fund-raising to give the children something extra - for example a Christmas party or a Year 6 leavers gift so they can remember their time at Yaxham.

Like any other committee we do need a chairperson, treasurer and secretary who volunteer at the annual general meeting and are voted in by the other members of the committee. But you don't need to take on a specific role like that, just being a committee member is a huge help. You might have a specific skill like cake baking that we could really use!!

We usually meet about once a month to discuss and plan activities where we think we can raise the funds or sometimes the events are just to give the children something fun to do! So you might be helping out at an event like supervising at the school disco or contacting local businesses to see if they will provide raffle prizes, it's a good feeling getting involved in our school community and lending some support.

**It's a real team effort and everyone can bring something to the FOYS. As the saying goes...Your School Needs You...so jump on board and help us create those life-long memories for the children of our school.**



If you would like to learn more about the Friends, we would like to invite you to a coffee morning at the school on Tuesday 3rd October at 9am.

We will have a couple of our current members on hand to talk to you about what we do, why raising funds is so important to the school and to answer any queries that you may have.

## Lottery

This lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children!

It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - we aim to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment as well as run extra curricular activities such as music, art and sport.



Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

### How the lottery works

#### £1 per ticket

That's right, unlike many other lotteries, our lottery tickets are only £1 per week.



#### Help us do more

For every ticket you play, 74.2% goes to our school and prizes.



#### £25,000 grand prize

Match all 6 numbers and you win the JACKPOT!





<https://www.yourschoolottery.co.uk/lottery/school/yaxham-primary-school?fbclid=IwAR1q1cyJnxt7DQcMztJtosYRiz1dbaaB0AKeWm8V-Odu8e2jloyR5ZTURPs>

Best wishes for a great weekend,

Jennie Müller

Headteacher



## Dates for your Diary:

2023

Tuesday 3rd October - Friends Drop-in Coffee and Chat

Wednesday 4th October - Harvest Festival 2.45pm St Peter's Church Yaxham Families welcome to attend

Thursday 5th October - Neatherd High School Open Evening 5-9pm

Wednesday 11th October - SATs Meeting 3.30pm

w/c 16th October - Parents meetings

Friday 20th October - End of half term

Monday 30th October - Children return to school

Tuesday 31st October - Open Day 2024 Reception intake

Friday 10th November - Remembrance Service 2.45pm Families welcome

Monday 13th November - Bag2School Collection 9am

Thursday 23rd November - Speak Out, Stay Safe Lesson for Year 5 from NSPCC

Monday 27th November - Flu Immunisations in school

Friday 17th November - Children in Need

Friday 1st December - Christmas Decorations Day (Children to attend in clothes suitable for messy activities)

Tuesday 5th December - Nativity Dress Rehearsal 10am

Nativity performance 2pm

Wednesday 7th December Nativity performance 2pm

W/C 18th December - Christmas Jumper Week

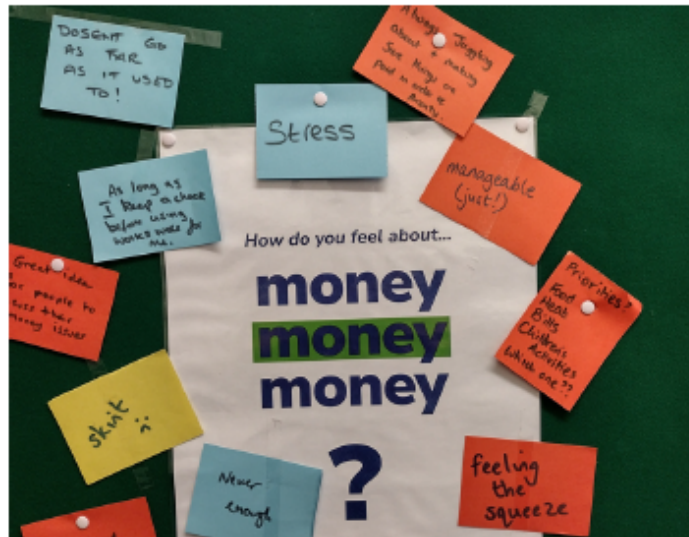
Wednesday 20th December - End of Autumn Term







Christians Against Poverty Debt Centre, in partnership with Dereham Baptist Church



## How do you feel about money?

We asked visitors at the Dereham Windmill Teddy Zipline how they felt about money and they gave a range of responses, with many feeling that money doesn't go as far as it used to! Do you feel in control of your finances, or are you struggling? Either way the Money course is for you! Our money coach Morgan started running budgeting workshops after attending one and seeing the benefit for herself and her family. We'd love you to sign up and come along - it's free and open to everyone.

Morgan and our team of volunteer befrienders continue to work tirelessly to help others. If you're struggling with debt please get in touch as we may be able to help.

## Money Course - book your free place now

The Money Course is a series of four workshops full of tips for budgeting and prioritising what you spend money on. Our next course will be held at Dereham Baptist Church and starts on Thurs 5th October, 9:30am-11:30am.

An attendee of a previous course says:

"Worried about your finances, or maybe really don't know the full picture of your finances? Do you struggle to budget and stick to a budget? Might you have debts but you really don't know the size of the problem? Even if you're confident you have all under control This Course could help you understand more about your finances and it's FREE !"

Please email  
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or phone 01362 695221 to book a place

Our debt services are free, and available for those in postcodes NR19 and NR20. There are other centres in Norfolk.

For free debt help phone 0800 328 0006. Visit [capuk.org](http://capuk.org) for more info

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Free, expert money coaching

Managing your money doesn't have to be a pain. Learn the skills to make it simple at **Dereham Baptist Church**. Best bit? It's totally free.

4 sessions, starting:

**Thursday 5th October, 9.30am-11.30am**

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