

FOTSA Newsletter

December 2018

What is FOTSA?

FOTSA is the **F**riends of **T**ottenham & **S**t. Michael-at-Bowes **A**ssociation. FOTSA is made up of parents of children in the schools and is registered charity (no.1176088). We support our schools by raising vital funds and by running events. Last Year FOTSA hosted 4 fantastic events - a parents' quiz night, 2 school discos, and the summer fair - and raised an amazing **£5,905!** Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the events or who helped in any way. This, and fundraising from previous years, enabled FOTSA to give £6,848 to the schools to spend last year.

£3,751 went to St. Michael at Bowes. This was spent on replacing chairs for Year 5 (£1,650) - part of a plan to replace all chairs with a high quality Postura chair; Christmas presents, tree and crackers (£877), the Year 6 Leavers books (£675) and a Green Grass sofa for the playground (£549)

£3,097 went to Tottenham. This was spent on coaches - to the Christmas show (£600) and for summer trips (£915). FOTSA also pay for maintenance of the Fish tank (£600) and for a bookbag for every reception child (£472). This year Tottenham also bought a colourful friendship bench (£302), books (£88), Christmas and Easter treats (£87) and butterflies for Nursery (£33).

FOTSA Events Planned for 2018/2019



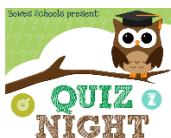
Friday 14th December from 3.30-5pm Tottenham Year 1 & 2 Christmas Disco. Tickets on the door. Parents/carers need to stay with their children, but siblings not in Year 1 or 2 can come too.

FOTSA are busy asking local businesses for prizes for the **Christmas Raffles** - SMAB and Tottenham both draw their raffles on 20th December. There are great prizes on offer so do try to get friends, neighbours and colleagues to also buy tickets (write their name and phone number on the back!)



9th January - next **Happy School Bags** collection. Please bag up all your unwanted clean clothes (but not school uniform, see below!), towels, shoes and bags and leave with Tottenham office between Monday 7th and **9am Wednesday 9th January** - last year this raised £485!

Thursday 14th February parents and teachers will host the SMAB Valentines Discos (Year 3 & 4 / Year 5 & 6)



Friday 1st March from 7pm will be the third year of our very successful Parents' Quiz night, including a hot home cooked dinner! Line up your babysitters as this is adults only and will be lots of fun! Tickets will be available in January.

Please bag up unwanted uniform – FOTSA are hoping to begin running more regular second-hand uniform sales. Donate your unwanted uniform and pick up the next size up! **Dates tbc.**



And then there will be the **SUMMER FAIR!** The date is set for **Saturday 22nd June**. More information to follow!



If you shop online, please could you sign up to easyfundraising to support FOTSA?

It's a really easy way to raise money – you just use the easyfundraising site or app to shop online with more than 3,500 well-known stores like Amazon, Argos and Sainsburys, and when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation, at no extra cost to you. With 25 parents signed up we have already raised £172! We want to raise as much as possible, so please visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fotsa/>

If you can spare an hour or two to help with FOTSA event planning from home or help out at events please get in touch! Fotsa.n13@gmail.com or to find out more information about FOTSA events and meetings see;



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