

Dear Parents/Guardians,

## NCSA - How have we spent our money?

This last year has been one of the most successful years for the NCSA to date. We have sought to build on the work being carried out by the teachers and Governors in providing an environment that helps the children to thrive and grow in their learning.

The NCSA aims to galvanise and organise those that want to help, to ensure that our children get not only a good education, but are given opportunities and experiences that enrich their lives and give them something to remember.

The NCSA relies 100% on voluntary support in order to get things done and the monthly meetings are forums for anyone that is keen to contribute ideas and help make things happen. These meetings are open to all members of the school and over the last year we have enjoyed lively meetings with high attendance.

**So where does the money go?** At the bottom of this letter is a full list of everything we've paid for over the last school year.

The Christmas Fair is our main fundraiser and is now a well established and popular annual event. The fair raises the majority of our funds for the year. A special thanks goes to Deborah Bevan who took over the organization of the Silent Auction for the first time this year. It can never be underestimated how much time, organization, energy and commitment goes into making this happen and my heartfelt thanks goes to the Chippendales for establishing it and to Deborah for building on that success with calm efficiency and competence.

Due to heavy snowfalls in the early part of the year we unfortunately had to postpone the annual Big Quiz night. Established in 2012 this has always been a steady fund-raiser and a fun event that we hope to run on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October of the new academic year (put it in your diaries now).

We also saw the second year of the Scavenger Hunt, again a wonderful family-friendly event bringing the school community together and raising £305 in the process.

This year has been particularly successful as we have seen a number of new members join and they have brought a new energy, spirit and enthusiasm to the team. On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July we held our AGM and a new NCSA committee was elected as follows:

Co-Chairs: Deborah Bevan (Holly, Ava & Poppy's Mum)





Registered Charity Number: 800577 Marcella Vilar (Isabella & Maximo's Mum)

Secretary: Leslie Schelling (Ryan's Mum)

Treasurer: Suzi Day (Ruby & Bethany's Mum)

They are bursting with ideas and already planning the Christmas Fair along with some wonderful ideas for the future. Please do support them in any way, no matter how small, you can.

Along, with the new Executive Head, the future is looking very bright and positive for the NCSA and the school.

The NCSA's activities and events are communicated via the website, school newsletter, facebook and at the school gates and everyone is welcome.

Finally I would like to thank those that have taken time out this year from what are busy lives to make the NCSA work and produce and run all the activities listed above.

Yours sincerely,

Ex-Chair, NCSA Committee

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## **Events & Expenditure - Where the money goes.**

- Large Events
  - North Cerney Christmas Fair
  - School Discos
  - Chippendale's Scavenger Hunt
  - School BBQ & Duck Race
- Expenditure
  - WOW treat Star Labs Star Gazing
  - WOW treat Circus Skills Day
  - Gifted a day out treat for one our families in crisis
  - New ipads for the whole school, including new IT infrastructure and the latest laptops and software to provide connective technology throughout the school and comply with new data protection laws
  - Hard childproof cases and headphones for ipads
  - Chocolate Santas and visit from Father Christmas
  - Easter Eggs for every child
  - · Sports Day medals for every child
  - Ice-pops for every child on Sports Day
  - Fun educational equipment for the playground
  - The "year book" (2018) given to all children on leaving the school
  - · Leaver's Hoodies
  - Books for the library
  - Engraved Trophies for annual prize giving
- Organisation
  - Rag Bin Ongoing. Please recycle all clothing, textiles, shoes etc in bin in car park opposite Vilage Hall – we receive payment by weight.
  - SATS week healthy breakfasts
  - Cake/Ice-cream sales
  - Strawberries & Cream Sale on Sports Day
  - Staff Gifts we donate a small gift to the staff each term to thank them (usually something they can eat). We also fund leavers presents for staff.
  - New parents welcome booklet
  - · Promotion of the school to recruit new pupils & families

