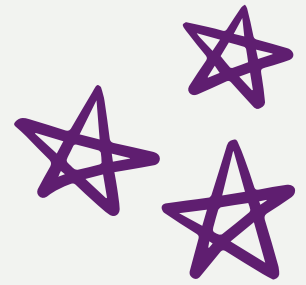


Friends of Lowton West Association



Welcome to our second newsletter this year where we aim to update you on all the fun activities and events we've arranged for the children and thank you for your support in helping to raise funds.

What we've been up to...

- Cinema clubs for years 3/4 and 5/6
- Infants entertainer
- Infants and junior coffee mornings with raffles
- Mothers day gift bags
- End of spring term tuck shop
- Easter non uniform day with a colouring competition

Upcoming Events

17th June - Year 5/6 disco

24th June - Infants
Entertainer

1st July - Year 3/4 disco

15th July - School leavers
disco



Please Join Us: We very much welcome new members, even an hour or two can help. Please leave your details with the office. We'd love to hear from you.

Recent Events

Children's Entertainer



The key stage 1 children had a great time watching Kevin the Clown! The children really enjoyed themselves. Kevin had the children laughing and clapping along making for a very fun afternoon.

Coffee mornings, cinema clubs and discos



A big thank you to all the parents and children who joined us for some tasty treats over a hot drink at our coffee mornings we raised an amazing £1432.

We have also held 2 cinema clubs and 2 junior discos which the children have thoroughly enjoyed. These events and the children's entertainer event have raised a total of £1644.

Other fundraisings events such as the Tuck Shop and the Mother's Day gift bags have raised over £597 - thank you for your support!



Easter Colouring Competition

A big thank you to all the children who took part in our non uniform day and Colouring Competition. We were amazed by the wonderful artwork submitted and the egg-squisite creativity! Here are the winners and runners up. The day raised £345.



Reception



Year 1



Class 5



Class 6



Class 7



Class 9



Year 5



Year 6



Class 8



Class 10

Yearly Budget

The Friends Association agreed the following budget at our AGM for the School Year 2023/4 and all our fundraising events go towards making this happen.

- School trips (£200 per class) £2800
- History Workshops £2000
- Experience trips (theatre, museums, etc) (£150 per class) £2100
- Science/Arts Event £1500
- Year 6 leavers buffet £150
- Which gives a total of £8550 to raise over the year.

Here are some of the events we have paid towards this Spring Term:

**Liverpool Philharmonic Hall
(Year 4)**

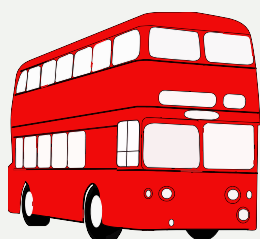


**Transport Museum
(Reception)**



Lowry Trip (Year 2)

Birds of Prey (Year 4)



Did you know on average transport for a school trip costs £400?

The funds raised go towards paying these costs to help reduce the amount parents pay for trips.

Year 5 Trip Museum of Life Wigan

"I really enjoyed the trip to the Wigan Museum of Life. It was a really good experience. I enjoyed the 'coal mining' workshop as we got to look at old photographs of inside the coal mines and we were able to read old newspaper reports about the local mining disasters in Wigan. We looked at these on a machine called a Microfilm machine. I also enjoyed the activities in the 'local identity' workshop as we looked at old photographs of Lowton and we went around the museum finding information and looking at artefacts - I liked the swords used in the battle of Wigan. We got to do some finger printing as part of looking at our identity. I also liked designing the badges based on the Wigan Casino badges. I really enjoyed my day."



"I liked the coal mining workshop as we got to look at the mining tools that were used down the mines in Wigan - they were very heavy and big to fit inside a mine shaft. It really surprised me! When we looked at the identity of Wigan, the old photographs of Wigan town centre and Lowton were very interesting. I could see how they were the same and different. When we went upstairs in the museum, we went into the library and looked at the old newspapers on microfilm machine. I really enjoyed this. In the library, there were photographs and a statue of two important men in Wigan, mill owner Thomas Taylor and Dr Joseph Winnard - they built and gave money for the books in the library. I really enjoyed dancing to the Wigan Casino music at the end of the workshop - it was fun!"