



# Friends of Estfeld Newsletter

March 2019

Our fourth meeting of the year took place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Thank you to those who attended.

Since the last newsletter the Spring Disco has taken place. We added a few new games, which seemed to go down well, along with the usual disco fun. It's always great to see the children enjoying themselves. Thank you to everyone who helped at the two discos, the support at the disco events is tremendous and we couldn't do it without parent and carer support. A special thanks to those who helped set up and clear away.



The Bingo Night took place in Early March. After slow initial ticket sales and a bit of a panic amongst Friends of Estfeld organisers, the hall was pleasantly full, with a great atmosphere. The children in attendance seemed to enjoy themselves, especially those who enjoyed a winning streak! The total raised at the Bingo was £536.22. Brilliant! Thank you to all those who attended and all those who helped out. A special thanks to those who helped to clear away at the end. Help like this makes such a difference.



## Funds and expenses

We hope the Reception children have enjoyed watching the Happy Chicks hatch and grow. This is funded by Friends of Estfeld.

We will be funding the usual Easter Eggs for the children from school.



We have also recently helped the school to purchase a new projector for assemblies and performances.

This is used every day for every child and Miss Risley says it has made a huge difference.

We welcome ideas for future spending projects.

## Dates for your Diary

**Spring Fair – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 1.30-3.15pm.**

Run by school, supported by Friends of Estfeld.

Friends of Estfeld will be running stalls selling walking balloon pets, pocket money items, lucky dip, sweets and flowers.



The school will be organising the rest of the fair, including Year 5 and 6 stalls and games, book stall, White elephant stall and cake stall.

If you are able to help run a stall or if you have items to donate for a stall listed above, please contact school.

**Provisional date for the Summer Barbeque: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – See post below**

**Next Friends of Estfeld meeting –Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 7.15pm, The Carpenter's Arms conservatory.**

## An early plea for the Summer Barbeque

This year's Summer Barbeque is scheduled for Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July. At the recent Friends of Estfeld meeting it came to our attention that 5-6 of our key members are not available on this date. This means that setting up tables and arranging the bar; collecting ice, bread and last minute items; helping run the bar; selling raffle tickets and clearing away tables, chairs and litter at the end of the evening are all jobs where we will need a significant amount of additional help.

If we can't get enough volunteers together, we will have to cancel the event for this year.

Many thanks for your continued support.



## Additional help and ideas always welcome

We are a small team of volunteers, organising and running events for the pleasure of the children of Estfeld School and raising money for much needed items, as well as experiences which enrich and extend beyond the everyday curriculum. No commitment is necessary. There is no minimum expectation. If you think you could help support us in any way, please speak to a Friends of Estfeld member.