



FoNGS Weekly Update - 8th December 2023

Christmas Fayre Thanks!

We want to send a huge Christmas thank you to everyone that attended the Fayre last week as well as everyone who supported via donating, setting up, running activities as well as the big clear up!!! These events are simply not possible without support and the fact we had such a lovely event is thanks to our school community 🐼.

We had over 120 little ones through our grotto, face painted more than 60 of you and sold hundreds of drinks and cakes !!! We also hope you loved our new Green Ambassador and gardening club activities and our new food vendors, including the popular chocolate fountain. More details and photos over the page.

Our school performers did such an amazing job as well, performing under our newly donated lighting which made the event just that little bit more festive and fun for everyone! The atmosphere throughout the whole event was amazing.

The Christmas Fayre raised a whopping £2,944, and we hope to be able to announce our biggest Christmas term funds raised yet once we finish up the term. Hopefully the combined totals from the Christmas Fayre, Parent Shop, Grand Prize Draw and refreshments (including the very popular mulled wine and Baileys hot chocolate) at Carols Round the Tree will help us reach the half point of our 2023/24 fundraising target of £14,000.



In the meantime we wish you and yours a magical December ✨
FoNGS Elf's (plus Kate, Leigh and Pete who are missing from the photo)



Thank you in advance to everyone who has volunteered to help at Monday's **Parent Shop**. It's going to be a big one with over 570 gifts purchased!

For those registered, please can we ask that you remind your child(ren) which adult(s) they are selecting gifts for. As always, there will be 'sweep up' session for children who miss Monday, or if you prefer we can select something for them.



Please don't forget to **REGISTER** on PTA events & follow us on Facebook and Twitter to be kept up to date on events.

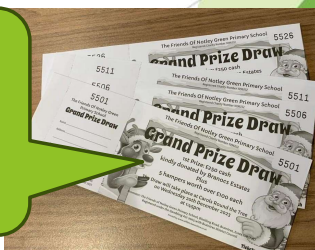
Don't forget the **Grand Prize Draw** will be drawn at Carols Round the Tree on the last day of term.

Top cash prize is £250 courtesy of Branocs Estates! Plus hampers crammed full of goodies.

Here's a sneak peak at some of the hampers but please see our Facebook page for more.



Need more tickets?
Please find one of us or pop into the office.





Special thank you to everyone big and small who came to see us in the face painting room. We know how much kids enjoy having their face painted and we love putting together new designs to make them smile. Your support means so much to us and makes us able to keep doing what we love.

It's always lovely to see so many former Notley Green pupils return for the Fayre.

Thank you to the year 7 girls who acted as elves in the grotto or helped to decorate the grotto.

Thank you also the year 8 pupils who ran the book tombola and helped decorate the grotto.



This year's magical ski lodge themed grotto provided the perfect back drop for photos with Santa.

Thank you for your patience whilst queuing - Santa likes to spend time with each child to ensure they are securing on his nice list.

A huge thank you to our wonderful Santa and his amazing elves for bringing the Christmas magic to Notley Green.



The Jam Jar Tombola was new for 2023 and proved to be a great hit! The kids loved seeing what was inside their winning jars, especially those who won the star prizes.

Jam Jar Tombola will def be back again next year.



The bottle tombola stalls proved popular once again! The buzz in the room was electric with people picking out lots of winning tickets. Ranging from bottles of mulled wine, champagne and cans of beer to surprise gift bags of gin and Baileys.

The Kids enjoyed the fizzy pop wins on the non alcohol tombola.

We thank you for all the support this year, the stalls sold out in record time and again funds raised were record breaking.



Thank you to Year 6 for running the sweet and teddy tombola, which together raised £600 for their end of year graduation celebrations.

Well done to Ivy who won the sweet tombola star prize.



Thank you to all the amazing bakers and those who donated cakes/bakes. We had so many delicious and beautiful cakes which were quickly devoured. Special thanks also to those who donated vegan, gluten free or dairy free cakes. It really is wonderful to be able to offer something to those who often miss out.

The cakes went very nicely with the mulled wine and Bailey's Hot Chocolate adding to the festive "spirit".

