



DANESFIELD SCHOOL PTA NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2018

Dear parents,
We are half way through the academic year (where does the time go?!), so we thought we'd write this newsletter to say a big thank you for all your support so far and to give you an update on what we've achieved and what is to come.
Victoria Thomas and Lucy Lacy (PTA Chairs)

What are we raising funds for?

As most of you know, Danesfield is massively strapped for cash. As one of the lowest funded schools in the country, there is very little funding left after the school has paid for its teachers and staff and the building and site costs. So, the funds raised by parents are critically important to fund essential resources to support our children's education.

Our big goal is raise £50,000 to provide the below items for the school. The costs given are estimates, and the school needs to fully scope out its needs for the big items like the science lab, but this gives you an idea of the exciting thing we're hoping to support. We agree what to fund at our PTA meetings; all parents are welcome to attend and help make the decisions.

How are we doing so far?

Thanks to all the parents who volunteer to help organise and run our events, some company matched funding, and all the parents and children who take part, we've raised a fantastic £22,385 since September.

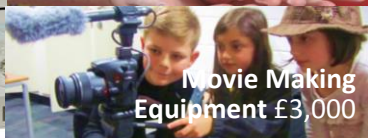
Science Lab & Equipment
16,000



Learning Programmes & Equipment
£4,000



Movie Making Equipment
£3,000



Enhance Outdoor Learning
£3,000

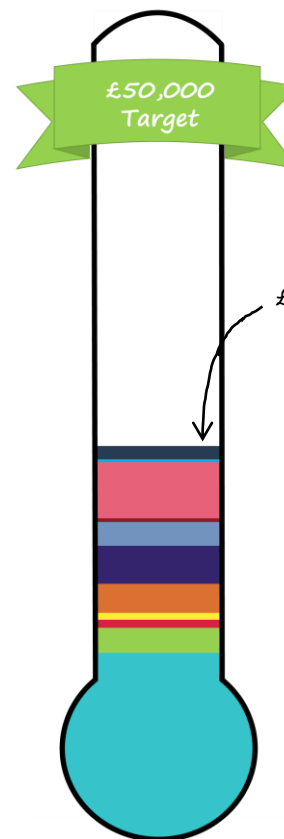
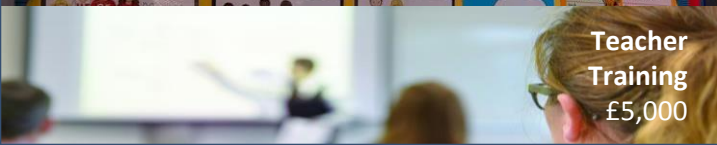


Maximise Year-round Sports Opportunities
(Sports Equipment, Astro-turf Lights, Dance Classes)
£17,000

Upgrade Reading Books
£5,000



Teacher Training
£5,000



£50,000 Target

£22,385 so far

- Cake Sales & event refreshments £835
- Easyfundraising £191
- Local Giving £3,569
- Pantomime tickets £216
- School Discos £1,520
- Hot Dogs £2,404
- Quiz Night £1,854
- Xmas paper/cards £436
- Wreath Workshop £512
- Ginboree £1,631
- Christmas Fair £9,190

What's coming up... and how can you help?

We're hoping to put on all the usual favourite activities and events between now and the end of the Summer term. As always though, we totally rely on your help as parents to make these happen. If you can help in anyway, from organisation to chipping in on the day,

please, please do. If you offer to help, we promise you won't be thrown in at the deep end and expected to do more than you want! Below is what we hope to do, and the help we need.

If you can help, we'd really, really, really appreciate it! Please email us or chat to your class rep or any of the admin team (Victoria Thomas, Lucy Lacy, Louisa Brammer, Jenny Folley, Mel Stone)

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EVENT	HELP NEEDED	EVENT	HELP NEEDED	EVENT	HELP NEEDED
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 more people to help on the day 3-5.45pm • A few people to help set up & prepare popcorn 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please can everyone help promote the event through word of mouth, email & social media. • Volunteers for the day - for Race HQ, Refreshments and Marshals out on the course 		<p>TBC</p>
	<p>☺ No more help needed (thanks to Lucy Lacy)</p>		<p>☺ No more help needed (thanks to Robbie Wratten and team)</p>		<p>Help to set up and serve (usually works best when KS1 parents help at KS2 sportsday and vice versa)</p>
	<p>☺ No more help needed (thanks to the volunteers)</p>		<p>TBC – likely most help needed will be for the day itself</p>		<p>Help on the day when it's your year group's turn</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help to collate raffle prizes (we know all the companies to contact, so this shouldn't be daunting!) • Help to sell raffle tickets wc 19 March and wc 16 April • Help to set up on the day and tidy up afterwards 		<p>Volunteers to organise tea towels or similar in each year group</p>		<p>☺ No more help needed (thanks to Caroline Cox and team)</p>