



Fundraising News

October 2018

helping children with special needs shine

Memories of the long hot summer are fading fast as we move into a new term at Playgroup. We would like to welcome all our new children, parents and carers to the incredible family that is Marlow Opportunity Playgroup, affectionately known to us as MOPs. We look forward to working with you all to meet the tough challenge of raising the £65,000 a year needed to supplement the funding we receive from County to operate our playgroup to the high standard our precious children deserve.

The term started on a very good note with confirmation that we had been successful in our application for a Big Lottery award which will run over the next five years and will total a staggering £133,420. Thank you all involved in this grant application, the work involved cannot be underestimated, special thanks to Heather on this.



As any of you who have been to a music session at Playgroup will know the children love them and enjoy joining in. We are really happy to confirm that we have been awarded a Youth Music grant of £28,000 over the next two years which will cover all music input at Playgroup.



In the summer break Erin one of the Thompson family organised a charity cake sale which raised an incredible £707.00, lovely poster Erin thank you





On what felt like the only wet and windy weekend of the summer we were invited to have a fundraising stall at the Ferrari Fun day in Sonning. Despite the weather, and almost losing the gazebo and tombola prizes in a gust of wind we raised over £230.00.

Thank you, Mary, for organising and Jane, Alison and Jeanette for manning the stall.

We were luckier with the weather for our Nordic Walk at Ashridge. Twenty five of us expertly led by Nicky set off in Glorious Autumn sunshine for a brisk walk through the forest finishing at the café for a complimentary drink and a scrummy carrot cupcake made by Georgie. We have raised over £300.00 pounds so far, thank you to the walkers and all who sponsored us.

Since our last newsletter we have received generous donations from a number of our friends and supporters, Rotary Marlow Thames £1500.00, Hyllendune Masonic Lodge £580.00 from their pig roast and Harleyford Golf Club donated £1200.00. A number of supporters made personal donations, the Phagura family £50.00, Delphine Webb, £1000.00, Mrs Robinson £500.00, Sylvia Hewinson £100.00. The Galloway/Fielden family donated £107.00 from money given in memory of Betty Wichard.

Thank you to all of you who have set up direct debit donations. These regular donations are much appreciated and help our treasurer Paul, balance the books each month. Details of how you can set up a monthly donation and more about how to support the playgroup can be found on our web site. <http://www.marlowopportunityplaygroup.org.uk>



You can also support the playgroup and have a chance to win by joining the Wycombe Lotto, details can be found on their website and searching for Marlow Opportunity Playgroup. This term we received £320.00 from the Lotto

www.WycombeLotto.co.uk



Dates for your Diary

watch out for details of the events posted at playgroup

and on our FaceBook page

3 November	Dinner Dance
24 November	MOPs Christmas Fair
Spring Term	Quiz Night



If you have any fundraising suggestions or need any support for your own events please contact me, Jeanette Galloway, jeanettehgalloway@gmail.com.