



# The Friends of Ditcham Park School

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## Welcome

### To the final FDPS newsletter of 2015!

**THANK YOU** to all of you who came along to last Saturday's FDPS Christmas Fayre – it was an amazing day and we hope you were able to share a part of it with us. It was, we believe simply ...



## THE BEST EVER CHRISTMAS FAYRE!

### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Santa was in his Grotto, the Christmas Village traders were in place and ready for business, the kitchens alongside Santa's Café were busily stocking the dining room with tasty savoury snacks and sweet treats... and all the year group stalls and activities were set with some fantastic activities for all the family...

### *12 noon and the FDPS Christmas Fayre was **open!***

The Christmas Fayre is always a popular and busy event, but this year the School was humming with the buzz of excited families and the sound of song and laughter from the very first minute!

Read on for highlights of the Christmas Fayre and a selection of pictures from the day...



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## Some highlights from the Christmas Fayre 2015!

There was a warm welcome from the team in Santa's Café and a lovely selection of tasty treats and drinks!

Some really superb external traders with a fantastic range of gifts to buy!



**(Full details of all the traders who attended will be listed on the FDPS website during the forthcoming weekend – just in case you didn't manage to finish your shopping!)**

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## There was a superb Raffle!

With thanks to donors, ticket sellers on the day and all of you who purchased a ticket!



## GRAND RAFFLE WINNERS CONGRATULATIONS!

- THE BOWDELL FAMILY - IPAD MINI
- THE SIMS FAMILY - LUXURY HAMPER
- NATHAN HARVEY - GO-APE VOUCHERS
- THE WITTE FAMILY - MEAL FOR 2
- SUE WILKINSON - FRAMED DITCHAM PARK PRINT



and the ever popular Party Barrow!



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*Some amazing year group stalls and activities.... always so ingenious & fun!*



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Oh, and talking of being a little tired... Guide Dog Puppy "Yuri" reportedly had a little snooze after the excitement of visiting Ditcham Park and meeting some of you that visited the Guide Dogs stall!



proceeds donated to the Friends!

**This was all Lara's idea and she raised £77.75 on the day – well done & thank you Lara!**

**Please do make a note to visit the website in the next week to read a full report of the Fayre....**

After carols around the Christmas Tree at 3pm followed by the Grand Raffle Draw at 3.15pm our visitors started to wend their way home, a little tired perhaps but very happy!



**There are many people we need to thank** for their help in organising and running this amazing event and they will be listed in full on our website in the coming days, but we'd like to pay special thanks now to Lara Hawkins who made a wonderful range of needlework items for sale and a beautiful cushion to raffle... with all





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And now for some amazingly exciting news. Due to the generosity, determination and energy of so many volunteers, Committee Members, visitors and helpers we raised the staggering sum, of



# £4,479!!



**Well done everybody... and this amount will now be kept aside to go towards the "Big Ticket Item" and we'll update you with the next stage in this project early in the New Year!**

## SHOW OFFER EXTENDED!



## "Views from Ditcham" Calendar...

*Buy 2 for £15.00*

### While stocks last!

We have a few calendars remaining – and would like to offer all of you who have already purchased a full price calendar the opportunity to **buy a second for HALF PRICE – just £5.00!**

If you haven't purchased one yet, then get your skates on and buy two calendars for just £15.00! They are perfect Christmas gifts but act soon as they'll soon be gone!

Please email [friendsditcham@gmail.com](mailto:friendsditcham@gmail.com) if you're interested. Offer finishes Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

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*And finally...*

The dust may only just be settling on the Christmas Fayre, but we're already busy planning for the rest of the school year...

Please make a diary note of the following exciting FDPS events COMING SOON!



- + Easter Event – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2016
- + May Fayre – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May (12 to 3.30pm)
- + Ditcham After Dark (June 2016 – date to be confirmed)

The next FDPS Committee Meeting is January 20<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm in the School Library - all are welcome! Do come along if you're interested to learn more about getting involved in the above events!

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas &  
Happy New Year!

Denise Allen, on behalf of

*Vicki Harvey (Chair)*

*Lucy Reidy (Vice-Chair)*

and the FDPS Committee



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