

SUMMER

NEWSLETTER

2026

TOTAL RAISED THIS
SCHOOL YEAR

£16.757.18

MR COOILS QUIZ AND CHIPS NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who came to our Quiz night on 8th May. Thank you to Quiz Master Mr Cooil for a fantastic quiz and to Mrs Shuttle and Mrs Cooil for counting up the scores. Well done to the Sow to Grow Team who won for a second year running and commiserations to our losing team who walked away with the wooden spoon. Delicious food was provided by J-Henry's Fish and Chips in Hedge End again. Thank you to all those who bought raffle tickets on the night and to those who donated raffle prizes. We raised an amazing £666.69 and are looking forward to holding this event again next year!

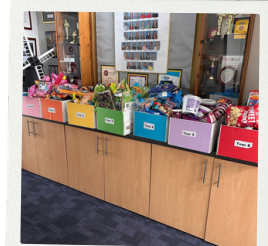
MESSAGE FROM THE FOBS TEAM

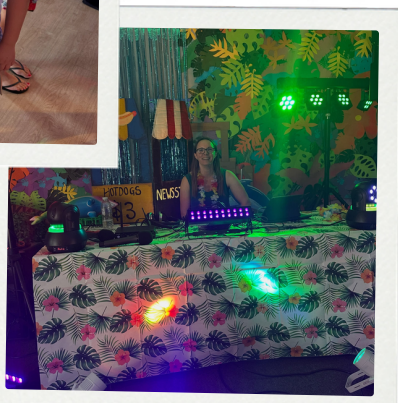
Thank you to everyone who has attended, helped and supported at our events this term. It has been a very hot term making events a bit more tricky to navigate, but we have thoroughly enjoyed everything we have done. FOBS continue to be committed to the ongoing support of those who attend Botley Primary School by raising money for the improvement and enrichment of their school experience.

COLOUR RAFFLE AND COLOUR RUN

Thank you to all the generous donations for our Colour Raffle which started our colourful fun weekend for our Colour Run on 27th June. Our raffle saw 2 lucky pupils from each year group excitedly collect a fantastic box of goodies in the draw held by Mr Cooil via Zoom due to the hot weather.

A huge thank you to our runners and supporters who came along to our Colour Run on 27th June and helped us raise money for our school. The annual event saw some new obstacles this year which were enjoyed by all. Thank you to our amazing sponsors Jackson Bailey, Revitalise Gardens and also Costco for supplying our refreshments. Not to mention the fantastic Lasting Impressions by Lucy for our beautiful photographs and Jamz Dance for our energetic warm up. We appreciate your contributions so much. Thank you to all our volunteers who gave their time to set up, marshal, throw colour, and do the very big, messy tidy up afterwards! We raised a fantastic £420.84!





HAWAIIAN DISCO

We held our first Hawaiian disco in July and enjoyed dancing to island music and also songs from Madagascar as tribute to this year's Year 6 production. The children all looked amazing and enjoyed buying flower necklaces to add to the festivities. We raised a fantastic £1183.63. Thank you to all our parent and teacher helpers without who we could not run these events.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM, BAGS2SCHOOL, ICE CREAM SALES

Our uniform shop continues to hold regular sales of good quality pre-loved uniform and accepts donations of items to the office. This term we raised £94.18. Thank you to help with the set up and packing away of the stock especially in the very warm weather.

We hope our ice-cream sales have helped to cool you all down after school in this very hot weather. We have had to constantly be topping up our freezer so thank you for all your support. £241.76 raised.

Our last Bags2School collection raised £80. The current rate is 10p per kg and so that was a massive 800kg of clothing donated. Thank you for your donations and for those who helped load the van on the morning!



OPEN GARDENS

We held our first Open Gardens event on 5th July. What a day! Our dedicated school gardening team, lead by Mr Barton produced a magnificent showpiece for everyone to enjoy, and helped us on the day running planting and wildlife activities and a fantastic plant sale. Thank you to Singing Squad for entertaining us under the Oak tree with songs "Here comes the Sun" and "Green Green Garden". Thank you to Eclipse Projects for donating beautiful wooden signs for the different parts of the gardens. Well done to our 4 Flowerpotman competition winners. We could not run these events without our parent and teacher helpers, so thank you to those who helped on the day. We raised £638.94 and will be back with this event next year, bigger and better!



WHAT FOBS HAS HELPED FUND THIS TERM

Sports Trophies

Year 6 Leavers Cathedral Trip and memorable items

2 relaxation benches for Year 6's

Ice lollies for the school during the recent heatwave



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- ✓ You are invited to attend our AGM on Wednesday 23rd September 2026 in the school hall at 7-8pm. We would love to see you there to hear what we have done in the last year, what we have planned for next year and to be part of voting in 3 committee Officers.
- ✓ We always need helpers for all our events to make them possible to run. Please sign up to help if you are able using QR code or at <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofbotleyschool/index.cfm?event=upcoming-events>
- ✓ We always want to know what you think of FOBS and what we do or could do better. Please take a few minutes to complete our short Survey <https://eu.surveymars.com/q/7yGbU3Q4V>
- ✓ Please sign up for "Easyfundraising" as any online purchases you make from 1000s of commonly-used retailers will instantly earn Botley a donation. All you need to do is create a login. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/panel/>