

Friends Focus



The newsletter of the Friends of Llangynidr School

Chris Jones in action.



GOING, GOING, GONE!



Cracking kitchen helpers with cracking cakes!

The 50:50 Auction was held in March at Llangynidr Village Hall and was a great fun day and a successful fundraiser. Over 350 lots were sold and we were amazed by the variety of items. Items sold included: books, pictures, jewellery, household furniture, computer equipment, bicycles, a motorbike and even some live chickens!

More than £1600.00 was raised and we would like to thank an excellent team of people who made the day possible.

Firstly Chris Jones, without whom the whole event would not have been possible. Chris worked tirelessly in the run up to the event, collecting furniture, ensuring buyers were going to be there and receiving entries at the hall.

Chris was helped enormously by Caroline Wilbud, Alan Chamberlain, Dale Williams, Jodi Oliver, Howard Hill, Abby Hanson, Andrew Lewis, Tony Foden & Kate Inglis on the Friday afternoon collecting and organising lots. Many



Large crowd of buyers.

thanks to them.

During the event many volunteers came to help in the kitchen, serving teas, rolls and cakes. We would also like to thank them: Trina Lewis, Ruth Hanson, Julie Burden, Mrs Oliver, Emma Bonner & Heather Vaughan.

Thanks also go to the people who joined in and helped during the event & with clearing up: Richard Westlake-Toms, Dawn Taber, Gwenda Jenkins, Sally Griffiths, Anna Bell,

Jo & Hugo Scott-Lowe, Debbie Cooper & Lorraine Draisay.

Finally we must thank Clair & Sheila Jones from McCartneys in Brecon who came and brilliantly handled the administration of the auction and made sure that everyone got the correct items & money at the end!

We could not have done it without all of you (and anyone we may have forgotten to mention), so many many thanks.



Chris Jones auctioning furniture.



Sponsored walk

The sponsored walk of Tor y Foel and the Canal took place in April and was a huge success once again. We were very lucky with the weather, walkers were greeted with a shower at the start of the walk but then it cleared up and we were able to enjoy a fabulous sunny BBQ at the end of the walks. More than £1400 was raised through sponsor money which was excellent, so thanks to everyone who took part. Cellan from Reception won the best fancy dress prize and enjoyed his chocolate hamper - well done to him!

Some fierce-looking pirates took part in the Canal walk.



Chris & Richard providing delicious burgers.



Committee News



■ We would like to welcome all new parents to the school and hope that the new children are settling in well. Any parents that are interested in getting involved with the Friends committee are very welcome. We always need help with events, whether on the day or in the planning stages.

We have a Friends mailing list which we use for circulating minutes of all our meetings and for other news. If you would like to be added to this mailing list then please send your email details to:
kate@fodeninglis.co.uk

■ Next meeting is on: *Tuesday 12th June at 8pm* in the Red Lion pub, Llangynidr.

■ Follow us on: [Twitter@LlangynidrPTA](https://twitter.com/LlangynidrPTA)

Open Gardens

The next date for your diary is Sunday 24th June.

For the children there will be face painting and activity sheets to be completed around the walk.

Years 5 & 6 will also be running their own enterprise stall on the day.

The Open Gardens event will be held from 2pm to 5pm. Entry £5.00 per family. There are 11 gardens open for viewing, a plant sale, refreshments, cakes, ice-creams & a raffle.

Plans for this event will be finalised at the next Friends meeting on Tuesday 12th June - so please come along if you think you can help at the event.

Cardiff sponsored run

This was held on *Sunday 4th March in Bute Park, Cardiff*. Dawn, George & Oscar Taber, Nancy, Martha & Alex Webb & Ruth Epstein all took part and raised over £300 for Friends. Well done to them and many thanks for your hard work collecting sponsorship. Brilliant stuff!