

Parents' Association Newsletter



May 2009

The Parents' Association have been very busy this last term and are pleased to report that they have raised over £1500 since Christmas.

Creative Writing Workshop

A very successful Creative Writing Workshop was held in early March and led by an old girl of the school – Joanna Barnden. She is a much published author of short stories and she engaged the participants in various writing styles. This event raised over £250. Look out for our next workshop on jewellery making in September.

Textiles Workshops



Another masterclass that attracted many budding textile artists was the workshop by Anne Griffiths on machine embroidered bowls. Other workshops in this series include creating your own handmade paper on the 16 May and Indigo Fabric Dying on the 6 June. If you are interested in attending any of these please contact Miss Partridge through the school office or email j.partridge@leshigh.org. These sessions are open to girls, parents and their friends. All proceeds are donated to the Parents' Association

Family Quiz Night

The family quiz evening on a Friday night in March hosted by our own quizmaster Phil Matthews was enjoyed by all and raised just under £1000 for the PA funds. The questions ranged from number 1 hits to popular television and quotations from the radio all using the latest technology. Competition was fierce for the wooden spoon but the winners of first prize certainly deserved their bounty.



'Colour Me' Evening



Phil then went on to organise a "Colour Me" evening in April for mothers and daughters where style specialist "Looking Good" Alison Sainsbury demonstrated what to wear and what not to wear using Miss O'Connor as her model. Green is her colour which came as a relief to Miss O'Connor as most of her wardrobe features various shades of green. The stall holders selling handbags and jewellery made interesting browsing and the cup cakes and cocktails certainly helped to make the evening great fun. This also raised over £300 for the PA funds

So what is all this to be spent on?

The PE department have recently taken delivery of some gazebos for use at fixtures and a mat trolley. The lower sixth common room is to undergo a refurbishment assisted by £5000 of PA funds and the next year 12s will enjoy a new kitchen area and seating and much wanted blinds. The PA is also donating a sum of money to kick-start the new Bird Club for year 7 which will enable them to buy bird boxes and seed. The greenhouse bought last summer has enabled Gardening Club to grow daffodils for Mothers' Day and winter pansies in the autumn. Herb planting is now the focus for the summer! These are just a few of the recent projects but the PA also assists at Parents' Evening serving drinks and Open Day.

If you feel you would like to be involved helping the PA please contact Martin Buczkiewicz through the school office by email admin@leshigh.org or telephone 01509 212 348.