

FOBS Update - March '22

Spring is on its way already and we haven't sent out a FOBS update in far too long! The FOBS team have all been a bit busy, so thank you for being patient with us. We have quite a bit of new stuff to tell you about as well as updating you on the usual ongoing fundraising. Let's start with a recap since the last newsletter in September!

£1689

Our **Welcome Back Bash** was a huge success. It was lovely to see everyone enjoying themselves on the school playing field again. The BBQ was a great success and it looked like everyone had fun spending their pennies on the stalls. Thank you for your support on the day, and for buying raffle tickets.

The event raised an incredible £1689!

We were unable to do Christmas as we normally would with our fabulous Christmas Fayre. You were all brilliantly supportive again, donating items for our big **Christmas raffle** and helping us to raise £407. Your purchase of Christmas cards raised £144.

At Christmas the children received books from Father Christmas and the annual trip to the panto was enjoyed by all.

£407

Outdoor learning space

As you'll remember, over the past year or so, our fundraising efforts have been aimed towards getting an outdoor learning space built on the school playing field.

At the beginning of the year we received an email from the company responsible for the solar farm at Wix. They were looking to support community organisations who are helping the environment. We had a phone call with them and this led to them donating £5200 to help us realise our dream of an outdoor learning space! With an increased budget we are able to look at other options now.

Although this is a great boost to our funds there is potential to create something really special and long-lasting if we are able to raise even more funds. Do you know a company that might be willing to donate towards our project? Do you know anyone who might be able to help with the supplies, to get us a great price on the wood, or help us with a roof? We hope to have this built by June so that we can have a grand opening ceremony at the beginning of July.

With gratitude

We would like to send our condolences and also our gratitude to the Snook Family who generously nominated FOBS as their chosen charity for donations in lieu of flowers after the passing of a family member. In their memory we will be building and filling planters to go around the outdoor learning space.

Bake Raffle

The bake raffle continues each week with entry costing £1. You can still join the raffle this term – please contact Jenny Lord for details. So far this has raised £345!

Still to come this year...

Bingo Evening @Bradfield Village Hall on Friday 22nd April (everyone welcome)

Pub Quiz @The Village Maid, Date TBC (adults only)

Bradfield Village Jubilee Celebrations @The Village Play Park, Friday June 3rd

Outdoor learning space opening, beginning July

Loose Change Challenge



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Find us by searching for @EssexFOBS

Ongoing fundraising...

smile.amazon.co.uk



Choose **Friends of Bradfield School** as your Amazon Smile charity and we'll earn pennies (or £'s if you're buying something big!) from your purchases – with no cost to you!

Here's a link you can type in to your browser – the number "1194486" is our charity number.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1194486-0>

Once you've chosen us as your charity you don't need to remember to do much more as everything happens automatically.

We continue to raise through **easyfundraising** – where there are loads of online retailers such as M&S, Argos, Groupon, Ticketmaster, SportsDirect, Halford, Go Outdoors, Currys, EBay and Booking.com who will donate a percentage of the cost of whatever you purchase.

So far this year we have received £128!

If you haven't already signed up, here's the link...

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bradfieldsch>

They have an app for your mobile device and a reminder gadget for your web browser tool bar which automatically spots when you go to a retailer that's signed up to the scheme.

Recycling - We continue to recycle lots of different types of hard to recycle plastics, clothes and accessories, print cartridges and old coins and foreign currency. Please see the attached flyers for information about what you can recycle with us.

Food packaging

Kids food pouches



All brands of baby food pouches, kids yogurt pouches and pouch caps

Biscuits, cake bars and crackers



1 All brands of Non-Savoury Biscuit Wrappers

Plastic only. Note: Cheddars type product packaging goes in here, not snacks

2 All brands of Cracker Wrappers

3 All brands of cake Wrappers

Cheese (any brand, including all Babybel packaging)



Any brand of sliced cheese protective plastic film

Any brand of individual plastic cheese wrappers

Any brand of flexible plastic cheese pouches

Labels from Cathedral City Minis packs of 6

Any brand of plastic nets for mini cheeses

Not accepted: Plastic cheese tubs and trays; cardboard cheese boxes and paper; aluminium cheese wrapping; wooden cheese boxes; cheese wax and wax paper; cheese slice dividers; squeeze cheese tubes; labels from other Cathedral City nets products or from other brands of mini cheeses

Confectionery

Plastic chocolate and sweets pouches and bags



Chocolate and sweets multipack outer plastic packaging



Individual chocolate bar wrappers



Plastic chocolate block wrappers



Not accepted:

- Breakfast, granola and energy bar wrappers (these can go in Snacks);
- Aluminium foil, cardboard and paper wrappers. E.g., individual foil and paper packets (like Rowntree's® Fruit Pastilles or KitKat® Biscuits) and cardboard tubes and boxes (like Smarties® or After Eight®)
- Metal tins and rigid plastic trays or tubs. E.g., Quality Street®; plastic tubs or Dairy® chocolate box packaging are not accepted in this programme.

Other Chocolate – Ferrero Rocher and Kinder



Any Ferrero Rocher and Ferrero Collection aluminium wrappers

Ferrero Rocher and Ferrero Collection gold plastic tray

Ferrero Rocher and Ferrero Collection transparent plastic box and outer plastic wrappers

Any Ferrero Rocher chocolate bar aluminium wrappers

Bread



Any brand of plastic bread bags and closure tags



Warburtons wax wrap



Any brand of bakery plastic packaging (e.g. plastic trays, zipper bags, plastic packs, etc.)



Crisps



Any brand of crisp, incl. multi-pack packaging (otherwise see Snacks)

Pringles



Pringles brand only; any size; lid and tube. Any other tube type packaging can go in the Tetrapack bin at the supermarket.

Snacks, nuts, popcorn



Any brand of nut packets

Any brand of pretzel packets

Any brand of popcorn packets

Any brand of crisp packets

Not accepted:

Seed packets; dried fruit packets; nutrient powder and topper packets; meat snacking packets; crisps tubes.

Taylor's of Harrogate



Taylor's of Harrogate individual coffee bag sachets



Taylor's of Harrogate coffee beans pouches



Taylor's of Harrogate ground coffee pouches

Note on sending your recycling in

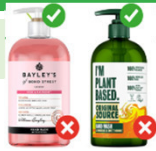
- Please separate the different types of recycling into their respective streams.
- Bread bags are a good way to keep the different streams separate.
- Flatten all packets, including Pringles tubes.
- We no longer accept pet food packaging, except from the Lily's Kitchen brand.

Non-food packaging

Hand soap



Carex® hand wash refill pouches and caps



Carex, Imperial Leather, Bayley's of Bond Street, & Bayliss and Harding

Home hygiene (any brand)

Fragrance twin pack plastic sleeves



Flexible stain remover powder packaging



Flexible dishwashing tablet packaging



Outer plastic sleeve



Foil inside dishwasher protector

Flexible cleaning product refill packaging

Flexible home cleaning wipe packaging

Dishwasher cleaner and freshener outer packaging

Flexible plastic dishwashing salt bags

Not accepted: • Laundry detergent packaging • Toilet freshener packaging • Aerosols • Plastic bottles and tubs • Dishwasher liquid bottles, rinse aid packaging • Fragrance candles, reeds, plug ins and autosprays • Soda crystals packaging • Washing machine and oven cleaner packaging • Cardboard

We also collect...

- Printer cartridges
- Old clothes, fabric and accessories (see separate flyer)
- Stationery – pens, glue-sticks, correction fluid
- Foreign and old coins

And we really need:

- Large boxes cardboard (50cm x 60cm x 60cm are ideal, and the max size).

Personal Care and Beauty (any brand)

Flexible single use mask packaging and the blue plastic film put on top of the tissue mask (used for personal care and beauty products)



Flexible plastic wipes packaging (used for personal care and beauty products)



Personal care and beauty product packaging caps, pumps and trigger sprays (rigid plastic bottles are not accepted)



Plastic pots and flexible plastic tubes (used for personal care and beauty products)



Hair colourant kits (except rigid plastic bottles and cardboard packaging)



Plastic roll-on deodorants (aerosols are not accepted)



Accepted: Flexible wipes packaging; Flexible single use mask and blue plastic film; Caps, pumps and trigger sprays; Plastic pots and flexible plastic tubes; Hair colourant kits; Plastic roll-on deodorants **Not accepted:** Baby wipe packaging; Rigid bottles (put these in kerbside); Aerosols.

Air, Home and Laundry Care

All brands of plastic air freshener containers, cartridge caps and car air fresheners (except electric plug ins)



All brands of flexible laundry washing capsules and pods packaging



All brands of flexible dishwasher tablets



Lenor tumble dryer sheets



All brands of flexible wipe packaging and tinted rigid plastic tubs used for home cleaning



All brands of tinted fabric conditioner bottles and caps



Lily's Kitchen Pet Food



Dental (any brand)

Any brand of toothpaste tubes and caps

Any brand of plastic toothbrushes

Any brand of floss containers and outer packaging

Any brand of electric and battery toothbrush heads

Any brand of plastic toothbrush outer packaging

Any brand of toothpaste cartons

Please remove as much toothpaste from the tube as possible.

Flash wipes, cloths and pads



No cardboard boxes please

The Good Refill Pouch



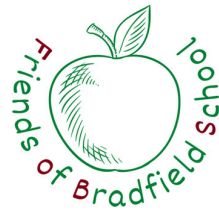
Accepted: Packaging from Aussie, Head & Shoulders, Herbal Essences, Pantene and Bear Fruits... Hair mask pouches Flexible tubes Triggers and pumps

Not accepted: Packaging from other brands; rigid bottles (put in kerbside)



If you have any questions please email fobsatheathroad@hotmail.co.uk; or message us through our Facebook page @EssexFOBS

DONATE YOUR OLD OR FOREIGN COINS & BANKNOTES



This is an ongoing collection...
Please place in an envelope labelled 'Old
Coins for FOBS' and hand in to School
reception.

- ✓ All foreign coins & banknotes
- ✓ Current UK coins and banknotes
- ✓ Any old British & Irish money
- ✓ Even obsolete currency!

Currency services supplied by  cash4coins



Fabric recycling

Next collection:

9am, Monday 21st March

Please send in your clean, undamaged:

Men's, ladies' and children's clothing

Paired Shoes

Socks

Belts

Scarves and ties

Bags and handbags

Jewellery

Lingerie

Soft toys

Household table linen, curtains, towels, bedding:
(bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

We can't take:

- Duvets and blankets
 - Pillows and cushions
 - Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
 - School or work uniforms with and without logo
 - Corporate clothing and workwear
 - Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material
- **Remember:**
 - We can't take soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing.
 - **Do not** leave bags to be recycled outside school, unless you have arranged it with us.
 - **School Families:**
 - Bring your bags in any Friday morning and put them in the shelter nearest the 'In' Gate.
 - **Other Villagers:**
 - Please email fobsatheathroad@hotmail.co.uk or message us through our Facebook page @EssexFOBS



SchoolCycled



We've joined a new recycling scheme to help save bottle tops from landfill and turn them in to useful things like furniture and planters (like our picnic benches and the planters near Bramley and the school office).

All you need to do is collect your plastic bottle top lids, pop them in a bread bag. When you're ready, put the bag into our recycling bin at the front of the car park.