## --- FOHS FUNDRAISING UPDATE ---

the beginning of the year we held our AGM and school gave us a **Wish list** of items they would like FOHS to fund. The idea of the wish list is that the school can ask for specific things that they know will enhance our children's learning, things that will really make a difference in school. Here is a little insight into what all the fundraising goes towards...

As with previous years, our Committee agreed to fund the Accelerated Reader programme and Times Tables Rockstars subscriptions as part of the framework to support essential numeracy and literacy skills. We know this isn't a very visible or exciting thing to fund, but 85% of Hambleton students leave having met the Government standard for literacy - compared to a local average of 56%, so the outcome itself shows the benefit to the students. The subscriptions to various programmes are approximately £2.5k.

Each year, FOHS pays for the new starter book bags, the Christmas Dinner crackers and decorations and also the Eagle Owls' in-school leaving festival on the field. It also pays for a Parentkind membership which is specifically for PTAs and gives advice and provides insurance for our operations as a charity.

New on the list for this year, however, was a Class Set of Glockenspiels and some sturdy storage containers for instruments. After such a successful year last year we were delighted to be able to purchase these for the school and we hope that the children get to use them as soon as possible!

Finally, the last item on the list was a class set of **Chromebooks**. The current iPads are used regularly, however do not have the connectivity needed for wider use and as part of their STEM learning, the school would like to be able to deliver some coding projects too. The Committee jumped at the chance to be able to provide such a valuable resource and based on the quotes received, we need £11,400 to provide 30 Chromebooks with a suitable specification, software licenses and a charging trolley. Robotics kits for coding will be approximately £475 on top of this.



This gives us a big target!! But we have applied to a couple of sources for help with it too!

After taking account of the expected payments, and ensuring there is a reserve in the account, we can start this fundraising off with £2.5k in the pot...

Already, to add, we have over **£200** from the Asda Cash Pot for Schools, £205 from Jasmine's sponsored 5k run, £703 from the School Disco and **£427** from the Christmas Cards. Coming up... we have Hot Chocolate



Fridays, Break the Rules Day AND the Christmas Raffle with some awesome prizes again.

## Ready to hit this target with us?

Once again we Thank You for your continued support we appreciate every single penny!







