

**JULY 2025** 

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### 03 October - Children's Discos

17 October - Rock & Roll Bingo

More details on these events and how to book will be sent out in September.

#### Can you help?

Please get in touch if you would like to know more about how you can get involved. Any time you can spare will make a difference and it's a great way to be more involved in your child's school and get to know other parents.

# **FRIENDS OF OLOP**

It's hard to believe it is already the last week of the school year! It has been wonderful to try some new events this year – Mr Stopps' Chocolate Factory, our Colour Run and OLOPFest all happened within 3 months from March to June!

The money raised throughout the year has enabled us to make some fantastic donations to school which will enrich and enhance the children's school experience; thank you to the whole school community for your continued enthusiasm and support.

#### Good Luck Year 6!

We are looking forward to hosting the Year 6 Leavers Disco this week! We hope the children enjoy their last week at OLOP and leave with some wonderful memories!

**OLOP LEAVERS PARTY 2025** 



#### **Our First Festival**

OLOPFest was our most ambitious event so far – at 5 hours long and with a tech set-up that we knew we would need some professional help with, it felt like a mammoth task during the planning stages! But the day was a huge success, and we loved seeing the field full of families and friends relaxing, having fun and dancing. We'd love to build on this success and grow the event into an even bigger fun day for our school and the local community – if you have any feedback or suggestions, we'd love to hear from you!





#### **Tesco Stronger Starts**

We have been shortlisted for a Tesco Stronger Starts grant so please remember to pop a token in our slot if you are in our local Tesco stores over the summer holidays.

You can vote for us until  $30^{th}$  September, and the winning project will receive £1500!

School are planning to run a Computing Club and we have applied for this grant to fund resources, such as tablets, which would provide new learning opportunities for the children, and could also be used for lessons across the school.

## FUNDRAISING UPDATE

The total raised this year is over £14,000! Please see the attachments to this newsletter for a breakdown of the money raised and donated this school year. We have been able to fund some big projects and resources such as contributions to the pool hire for swimming lessons and iPad purchase, as well as treats such as the Christmas farm visit and ice-creams for Sports Day and Feast Day, and resources to support Mental Health Week, French Day and Geography lessons across the school – plus lots more!

We're already discussing future funding projects with Mr Stopps and look forward to being able to give more donations in the new school year.

JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING Look out for details of our next meeting in September

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#### Coming soon....

We couldn't end the school year without something to look forward to for next term so we already have a few dates in the diary – including some more new events!

More details to follow in September but we're planning children's discos and adults 'Rock & Roll Bingo' for before October half-term!



#### A BIG 'Thank You'

We'd like to say a big thank you to .....

- Our amazing Friends of OLOP team who give their time so generously the number of hours they spend planning, crafting, baking, gift-wrapping, uniform-sorting..... as well as the hours spent helping at events is incredible and we are so grateful for everything they do!
- The school staff for their enthusiasm and the time they give to support us and help out at events.
- Everyone who contributes to our fundraising by donating prizes, coming to events, buying raffle tickets – and never getting fed up with doughnuts!

