

Autumn 2016

Thank you

We want to highlight our fantastic volunteers who have been very busy raising money for the PTFA

In July we had a rush of people wanting to throw themselves out of a plane for us. The weather was not kind on the original date so it took a while to complete. We had 8 people, **6 staff and 2 supporters**, take the plunge.



Between them they raised a total of £2,200. Thank you to everyone who took part, and special thanks to **Penny Bain** for organising the event. Afterwards? Everyone I spoke to said they wanted to do it again. We might well take you up on that!

The PTFA would like to say a huge thank you to **Jimmy Harvey** (parent), staff and customers at **Total Plumbing Supplies** who donated a whopping £870 following a number of events over the summer.





Jennifer Ballard, grandparent of one of our pupils, also did a skydive and donated £300. Thank you Jennifer, looks like you had a great time and we are very grateful.





Our own summer fair was well attended. Trading was fast and furious during the morning, raising a total of £650, including a generous donation from a parent. It also provided an opportunity for all our classes to be involved in the Enterprise Challenge, making and selling their own goods. **The choir** did a great job entertaining us and I think **Tom Neusinger** was surprised by how many people wanted to look around the Sensory Orchard. Thank you to **Simon Winward** for coordinating the Enterprise Challenge.





The Sidmouth Flower Arrangers Club have kindly donated £200 to the PTFA. We helped to run the tombola at the club's annual show. Thank you to everyone who turned out for a shift at the show. Our Chairwoman, Lyndsey Trimmer, had her photo in the Sidmouth Herald under the headline 'Sidmouth group's flower power raises £200 for Mill Water School'.





We had a fantastic response from pupils for the Halloween Non-uniform Day with some truly scary costumes. Class 8 really got into the mood by decorating their classroom with pumpkins and cobwebs. Over half term, Lyndsey Trimmer and Bobbie Potter went to Axminster to help Tilly Taylor, her family, and friend Annie. Tilly came to Mill Water to do some work experience. She loved her time so much she was inspired to do some fundraising for us. With an early start to catch the market goers, Tilly and her entire family really got behind the event, serving tea and coffee, selling cakes, running a raffle and selling bric-a -brac with boundless energy and enthusiasm. Lyndsey and Bobbie were there to run the tombola and answer people's questions about the school. A total of £270 was raised in just one morning. Thank you so much to you all.



At the end of half term, **Penny Bain** arranged to take a stall at the Budleigh Lions Tabletop Sale, raising a further £35.50 selling books and jigsaw puzzles. Thank you Penny, and thanks also to Jennie Ames for helping out on the day.

