

ASAS Christmas Newsletter - December 2015

Red Pepper Presentation Evening, Monday 12th October

Our annual training awards presentation and fundraising evening was held at Red Pepper Restaurant, Otley, where everyone thoroughly enjoyed a delicious curry. Our thanks are extended to local businesses who contributed to the raffle, including Leeds Bradford Airport, Marks and Spencer and Hobbycraft. Thanks also to parents, volunteers and supporters for their donations and attendance. £887.20 was raised, some of this was matched funding through localgiving.



Thanks to the manager and staff at the Red Pepper restaurant who managed to serve a delicious meal so efficiently.

Siblings Activity Day - Wednesday 28th October



During October half term 19 children - brothers and sisters of children with additional needs, enjoyed a fun packed day out bowling, lunch at Pizzahut and then Vue cinema to see Hotel Transylvania 2.

Radio Aire's 'Cash for Kids' provided part funding the day.

Some of the staff and children called in at the radio station afterwards to thank them in person and to have a look around, where they were allowed into the studio whilst Connor Philips was doing his Home Run show - so everybody had to be super quiet.

Thanks Radio Aire!



Localgiving

"Grow your Tenner" Matched funding campaign started on Tuesday 13th October 2015, the government donated £250,000 for local charities to benefit from and during the campaign we received £812 in single donations to which £762 matched funding and £143 Gift Aid will be applied – total £1717 and in direct debits £300 plus £210 matched funding and £60 Gift Aid – total £570, so a grand total of £2127 (after £160 fees approx.). Thank you to everyone who donated.

2016 Dates

Residential Breaks for children Leeds city wide who don't already receive overnight short breaks/respice.

26 – 28 February 2016 – Residential at Lineham Farm

Provisional play scheme dates are as follows:-

Easter Scheme Monday 4 to Friday 8 April 2016

Summer Scheme Week 1: Start date to be confirmed to Friday 29 July

Week 2: Monday 1 to Friday 5 August

Week 3: Monday 8 to Friday 12 August

***OUR GRANT FUNDING FOR 2015/16 HAS BEEN DRASTICALLY REDUCED
PLEASE READ ON TO FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN HELP US TO CONTINUE
PROVIDING OUR VERY VALUABLE ACTIVITIES***

Golfers Donate

Sarah Lee one of our committee members supported ASAS during her Captaincy at her local golf club - Bracken Ghyll, some of the funds had also been raised by the men's Captain.

Sarah presented Christine Parapia and Jo Galasso with a cheque for £856, for which we are extremely grateful.



Recycling inkjet cartridges and postage stamps

Please recycle used (original) printer inkjet cartridges. You will need a freepost label from us or by contacting info@trf-uk.com quoting the barcode number: 14070813215301. (They no longer accept toner cartridges).

We can also gain funds from used postage stamps, so please start saving them for us, then let us know when you've got some and we'll come and collect them.

Raise funds for free from internet purchases

Please sign up and raise money for ASAS by using the following links Easyfundraising:

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/aireboroughsas>

and Everyclick/Give-as-you-live:

<https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/aireborough-scheme> both raise money for charities at no cost to you by giving a percentage of your spend on your purchases from participating retailers e.g. Amazon, M&S plus lots of others.



Sainsbury Card

Raise free donations for us with the new Sainsbury's Everyday Shopping Card. Shop instore using the card and Sainsbury's will donate 4% of your spend to us - FREE. The Everyday Shopping Card is a great, free way to support us when you do your weekly shop. You can upload up to £1,000 and check your balance by logging in to your secure account panel at any time. It's simple!

www.raisewithsainburys.com/charity/aireborough-scheme

Sponsored Activities

Please let us know if you can raise funds for ASAS by a sponsored activity or fundraising event. We can help you set up a fundraising page via Localgiving if your sponsors wish to pay by debit or credit card however we do pay a small admin fee so prefer to get the full value from direct cash payments.

Chris Parapia, Jo Galasso, Joy Winnard & the ASAS committee wish you all

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year