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News from the Friends of Droitwich Spa High School

The School Council decided that the proceeds from the non-uniform day and the cake sale last Friday should be given to The Friends of DSHS. I am delighted to report that the following amounts were raised:

Cake Sale:	£135.29
Non Uniform:	£671.80

The Friends were able to make a substantial contribution to the work of the school during 2015. Their support is making a real difference and it is very much appreciated. The new projector in the theatre is allowing us to extend the range of things we can present there and has played an important part in bringing up to date a part of the school which is used by everyone. The Friends also supported the Year 11 Christmas party which gave the students the opportunity to let their hair down at the end of a very intensive term.

Beyond this, the friends still have about £3,000 to allocate to projects or needy areas. The committee has invited departments and other staff to put forward bids for some of these extra funds, describing how what they propose would be of benefit to our students.

You will see from this that the Committee of the Friends not only does some very important work, but becomes involved in some interesting and responsible aspects of school life. I am very appreciative of the work of the current committee:

Alison Battin (Chair), Lisa Bates (Treasurer), Jo Allerton (Secretary), Jan Miller-Weir, Dominique Pickerell, Alison Mountford, Jez Mason, Emma Lees, Tracy Lakin, Julie Nicholson and Iain Paston

They have asked me to say that they would welcome some new members. The committee does not meet very often and focuses on fundraising activities which are not too time consuming. Last year, for example, the school lottery brought in £1028.00 and the sale of second hand uniform a further £374.00.

The next meeting of the committee will be on Tuesday 12th April at 6pm. At this meeting the committee will be considering applications for funding from different areas of the school. Any additional members would be made very welcome on the day, but if you would like to know more about it beforehand please do give me a ring at the school.

Yours sincerely,

Natalie Waters