

FRIENDS OF SWGS

February 2013

FRIENDS in deed

Hello,

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2013. We have an action-packed year ahead, including our popular Spring Draw in the next few weeks – keep an eye open for tickets at the bottom of school bags!

Thanks to all of you who have supported FSWGS's fund-raising efforts. We are delighted to report that we have already raised enough money to fund the Lego Robots and are progressing steadily towards the 3D Printer.

The funds have been raised through such endeavours as easyfundraising.com – which now has 32 'Friends of South

Wilts', whose purchases have raised £110 (do please sign up, it costs nothing!) – and our Burns' Night Party, which was so amazing that people are already asking about tickets for next year! I'd like to say a huge thank you to all those involved in making the evening such a success.

If your daughter joined the school in September, you may now feel that you have 'settled in'. If so, please come and meet other SWGS parents by helping at an event, a parents' evening or just come along to the next committee meeting – we would love to meet you.

Kim Glennon-Alty, Chair

BURNS' NIGHT PARTY



A huge "thank you" to everyone who supported our first Burns' Night Party on 25th January. Described by one guest as "a spectacularly enjoyable evening", guests tucked into a tasty two-course haggis supper – piped in perfectly by Denton Smith (left) and accompanied by a shot of whisky – before doing the Highland Fling, Stripping the Willow and much more to the excellent ceilidh group Spike Island Band.

Many thanks also to the guests who addressed the haggis and gave the Selkirk Grace. We've already been asked about next year's event - so watch this space for further details!!

Di Cross, Burns organiser

GRAND SPRING DRAW

The Spring Draw is one of our main fund-raising initiatives each year, and books of tickets to be sold will be sent home with your daughter/s shortly, with the draw to take place on Monday 18th March. Once again, there will be many wonderful prizes, including: a first prize of £250; Eva Hair Salons £100 Gift Voucher (www.evahair.co.uk); half a Stonehenge Lamb ready for the freezer; a signed and framed Andras Kaldor Print (pictured); £20 Gift Voucher from Angel Cottage Organics (producers of delicious organic chicken, lamb and pork); £20 M&S Gift Voucher; animal print V Fraas Scarf; 20 photographic greetings cards; Twinings Tea Gift Selection Boxes; True Grace English Lavender Candle, and more. If any parents are able to donate a prize for the draw, it would be most gratefully received. Please sell as many tickets as you can (please ask at reception if you run out), so we can contribute to the 3-D printer and many more worthwhile projects at South Wilts. Many thanks,

Stephen Ellis, Draw Organiser



1000 Club

We have now made the 1000 Club's first draw of 2013 (see below). There are still seven more draws this school year, so if you would like to become a member please download an application form from the Friends page on the website and then leave completed forms at reception with a cheque for £7 (made out to FSWGS). Thank you.

Anne Day

Draw Winners

January 2013		
1st	Alison Cosens (73)	£100
2nd	Mrs K Cunningham (245)	£50
3rd	J & H Evans (61)	£25

Friends Committee

Kim Glennon-Alty	Chair
Nicola Dunning	Secretary
Ed Evans	Treasurer

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www.swgs.wilts.sch.uk
click on 'Friends of SWGS' on the 'Main' drop-down menu.

Forthcoming events

- **Saturday 9th March:** Book Stall at Salisbury Market
- **Monday 11th March:** Friends Committee Meeting – everyone welcome.
- **Monday 18th March:** SPRING DRAW

BOOK STALL

Friends are holding a Book Stall by the Guildhall, Salisbury Market on Saturday 9th March. If you have any books you would like to donate, please drop them off at Reception during the week commencing 4th March. If you have a lot of books, please contact Mary d'Apice on 01980 863529 to arrange dropping off at her house or the stall.

If anyone would like to come and help on the day, give Mary a call. It's great fun!